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EUROPE.

Continued Reticence of M. Thiers and Count Bismarck.

Rumored Terms of Peace to be Received with Reserve.

No Announcement to be Made Till All is Settled.

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A Sharp Encounter Between Messrs. Disraeli and Gladstone.

Debate on the British Foreign Police in Parliament.

THE CONDITIONS OF PEACE.

No Official Announcement of the Terms—Warning against Rumors—Forced Requisition Since Jan. 28 to be Deducted from the Indemnity—Conferences between Versailles and Paris.

BORDEAUX, Feb. 24.—No news has been received here respecting the negotiations at Versailles. This silence will be maintained until the conditions of peace are fully decided on.

BERLIN, Feb. 24.—The Prussian *Cross Gazette* says the dispatches in the Belgium journals purporting to give the conditions of peace now under negotiation, are altogether incorrect.

LILLE, Feb. 24—Afternoon.—A telegram from the Government at Bordeaux warns the public against false reports as to the terms of peace, which, it says, cannot yet be known.

The Twenty-third Corps will be disbanded as soon as peace is proclaimed.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—The *Journal de Paris* says that Count VON BISMARCK, at the request of M. THIERS, has ordered the cessation of requisitions upon the inhabitants of all sections, and has declared that all contributions levied since the 28th of January will be deducted from the French indemnity.

The *Daily News* says that M. THIERS and his colleagues were to leave Paris for Bordeaux on Thursday, and will confer with the Assembly on Friday, and return to Paris on Saturday, when they will have a decisive interview with Count VON BISMARCK.

Painful Effect of the German Demands in London, Vienna and St. Petersburg—The German Idea About Indemnity.

PARIS, Feb. 24, via LONDON, Feb. 25—1 A. M.—The journals here say the demands made by Germany on France, have produced a painful impression in the cabinets of London, Vienna and St. Petersburg.

The Versailles *Moniteur* prints a series of extracts from German newspapers, demonstrating that whatever the amount of the indemnity may be, it is impossible to exceed the good right of Germany or the resources of France.

Progress of the Negotiations—Various Rumors of the Conditions and Conclusion of Peace.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—Count HENKEL and the banker "BLAMICH-SCHROOVE" have gone to Paris from Versailles to discuss the financial question with M. THIERS. Count VON BISMARCK, it is said, demands an indemnity of six milliards, deducting therefrom, however, all the contributions which have been levied. This proposition is vigorously opposed by M. THIERS.

The evening edition of the *Times* has the following special dispatch from Versailles today:

Count BISMARCK has doubts of the conclusion of peace at this time.

France demanded a prolongation of the armistice.

Hostilities will be renewed at midnight of the 26th.

The guns of the forts have been turned toward Paris.

A long conference was held today.

The *Telegraph* has a dispatch from Paris, 23d, as follows:

"All the conditions of peace are now settled except that of money. The Germans demand two milliards of thalers, while France has offered to pay one milliard. The Germans have allowed seven hundred and fifty millions for requisitions and fees and the debts of Alsace and Lorraine, but held out for one and a quarter milliards. A friendly arrangement is anticipated."

LONDON, Feb. 24—4 P. M.—The *Standard* has a special dispatch from Versailles which announces that a treaty of peace was signed today by M. THIERS and Count VON BISMARCK. Some of the details are yet unarranged, but all will be finally settled to-morrow.

France pays to Germany 320,000,000 of thalers.

Alsace and Lorraine, including the Cities of Metz and Nancy, are ceded to the Germans.

The German Army will not enter Paris.

The Emperor WILLIAM leaves on Monday for Berlin.

THE NEW GOVERNMENT.

Recognition by the Pope—The Orleans Princes—Clerical Opposition to the Removal of the Assembly to Paris.

BORDEAUX, Feb. 24.—The Court of Rome has recognized the new Government of France.

The ORLEANS Princes are staying in the Department of the Gironde.

LILLE, Feb. 24.—The clerical party are opposed to the transfer of the Assembly to Paris.

PARIS.

Reported Bribe to Permit the Germans to Enter—The Requisition to be Restored—Trouble Apprehended—The City Quiet.

VERSAILLES, Feb. 24.—Paris is quiet. M. THIERS is expected here today.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—The Brussels *Nord* says that Count VON BISMARCK hints at the restoration of the Paris impost of two hundred millions of francs if no hostile manifestations are made during the passage of the Germans through that city.

A letter from Paris, 22d, says a conflict is expected should the Germans enter the city. It was believed the Assembly would be convoked on Friday or Saturday of this week.

Probability that the Germans will Forego a Triumphant Entry—The Assembly.

PARIS, Feb. 24—via LONDON, Feb. 25—1 A. M.—The military authorities here are still unadvised as to the entry of the Prussians into Paris, but the impression is becoming general that the enemy will forego their their triumph.

A rumor is circulating that the Assembly, on leaving Bordeaux, will reassemble at Fontainebleau.

MISCELLANEOUS WAR NEWS.

German Exactions North and South—Liberation of Hostages—The King of Wurtemberg Goes to Versailles—The Germans in the North.

HAVRE, Feb. 24.—The contribution imposed on Alençon remaining unpaid, the Prussians have seized the stocks of merchandise in the principal shops.

The amount of the requisition made by the enemy on Honfleur is 545,000 francs.

BREMEN, Feb. 24.—A telegraphic order received from Versailles directs the immediate liberation of all the French hostages.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—The *Journal de Macon* says that Gen. "PENHOET" has been ordered to dissolve the Garibaldian corps, and to disband the free corps under his command.

A dispatch from Havre says that great indignation is felt at the fact that the Germans have occupied Honfleur, which was stipulated by the armistice to be neutral ground.

A dispatch from Amiens says that unfavorable news has been received from Versailles, and that the German troops are already in motion.

STUTTGART, Feb. 24.—The King of Wurtemberg has gone to Versailles, and will probably be absent until the 5th of March.

GENERAL EUROPEAN NEWS.

Foreign Policy of Great Britain Assailed in the House of Commons by Mr. Disraeli—Mr. Gladstone's Reply—Mr. Odo Russell's Mission Again.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—In the House of Commons, to-night, Mr. DISRAELI made a powerful speech on the foreign policy of England. He urged the House to consider the gravity of the Eastern question, and the serious consequences of Russia's repudiation of the treaty of 1856, which it had cost England such sacrifices to make. He said it had been generally believed that Mr. RUSSELL'S errand to Versailles was to announce to BISMARCK that England stood ready to join Prussia in opposing Russian repudiation. Now it seems the Government denied that such was the object of Mr. RUSSELL'S mission.

Mr. GLADSTONE replied denouncing Mr. DISRAELI'S inferences, and expressing surprise that the right honorable gentleman should condescend to heed and repeat the rumors on which they were based. The proposal to estrange Russia at a moment so critical by gratuitous language was simply mad. The Conference would hear Russia's case in all fairness, and act on it with justice.

He declared that there was no truth in the report that a messenger had been sent to Versailles to congratulate the Prussian Princes on their victories.

Mr. GRANT DUFF had before the House the budget for India, which is a highly favorable statement of the financial condition of the country.

The Governor-General of Canada to Return to Ireland—Church Disestablishment in England—Small-Pox in Liverpool—A Brazilian Loan.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—Baron LISGAR, (Sir JOHN YOUNG,) now Governor-General of Canada, has been appointed Lord-Lieutenant of the County of Cavan, Ireland.

A crowded meeting was held in London, last evening, in favor of the disestablishment of the Church of England. The cases of small-pox are still increasing in Liverpool.

The report of the death of Mlle. SCHNEIDER, the noted French actress, proves unfounded. She is alive and well.

A Brazilian loan of three millions sterling has been introduced in the London market.

The Austrian Tax Levy—Gen. Sheridan in France.

VIENNA, Feb. 24.—The Lower House of the Reichsrath has passed the resolution, submitted by its own Committee, in favor of a levy of taxes for March, although the new Ministry had pressed the adoption of the Government proposal to sanction a tax levy for two months.

BORDEAUX, Feb. 24.—Gen. SHERIDAN, of the United States Army, left Marseilles yesterday evening for this city.

MORE JAPANESE.

Arrival of a Prince and Students in San Francisco—The United States Receive the First Japanese Minister Sent Abroad.

The steamer *Great Republic*, which arrived at San Francisco on the 16th inst., brought a distinguished party of natives of Japan, including a Prince and his full suite, four noblemen and an accredited Minister to our Government, with his attendant officers of Legation. The *Alta* gives the following list of the names of the party:

His Imperial Highness, Fushimi Mitsnomia, Prince of the Imperial family; His Excellency Mr Mori, Chargé d'Affaires to Washington; Mr. Toyamo, Secretary of Legation; Mr. Nana, Assistant Secretary of Legation; Mr. Yatata, attaché of Legation; attachés of the Prince, Higashikuze, Inowe, Yamazaku, Okada, Tasaka, Matsno, Nina; attendants to the officers of the Prince and Legation, Naito, Nakahora, Ikayawa, Hayashi, Asc, Sakura, Oginh. The following are students: Messrs. Kanda, Majorme, Kumazawa, Ikeda, Sagaro, Yamawaki, Oishi, Imaw, Osawa, Arakawa, Yasaki, Kitao, Hatakiyama.

The Prince is an uncle of the present Mikado of Japan. The party are all very young and intelligent looking, being between the ages of twelve and twenty-seven years. The Minister is the first one ever sent abroad by the Japanese Government to reside in a foreign country. He has served as member in the National Council at Yeddo, and is a strong leader of the party of progress who now control the Government, and under which it is making rapid strides from despotism to civilization. Mr. MORI, the Minister, speaks English quite well, and converses freely on the changes which his Government is undergoing, and the active measures which are being taken to make her system, both civil and military, accord with those of the great Powers of the world. Already they have established a college at Yeddo, at which there are four American instructors, two English and two French. It is also proposed to establish free schools in all parts of the country.

Among the internal improvements going on is the building of a railroad 360 miles in length; eighteen miles of the road were graded when this party sailed. Another vast change that has been made is, that any one may rise to the office of Prime Minister, if he has the merit and ability to fulfil the duties of the office. The French system has been adopted for the army and the English system for the navy. There are now eight regiments in service wearing the European uniform. The Minister says that the people of Japan feel under more obligations and have more love for the United States Government than any other, on account of friendly feelings exhibited and the opening of its ports. The present Government is pursuing a wise policy in endeavoring to obtain all possible and reliable information as to the mode in which the various departments of the leading nations are carried out. To accomplish this much-desired end the Government sends abroad members of the Imperial family and students. These are all young men, who can the more readily acquire the foreign languages. They are maintained and supported at the expense of the Government, and when they have finished their course of studies, or have accomplished the mission on which they were sent, they return home to give their country the benefit of their experience and education. At the present time there are about two hundred Japanese students in the various colleges and universities of America. About a month since, a party of twenty-two started for Washington for the express purpose of acquainting themselves thoroughly with the workings of the Treasury Department. A brother of the young Prince of this present party, is now in Brooklyn, N. Y., and another brother is to be sent to Russia. The young gentlemen of the party, of whom much is expected by their Government, will proceed to Washington with the Minister, several will remain in New-York, five will go to England to be educated in various branches, and fourteen go to Prussia, nine of whom intend to study medicine. The remaining students are to receive civil, military, naval and mechanical educations.

GENERAL TELEGRAMS.

STORM IN THE WEST.

A Hurricane in Kansas—Buildings Demolished—Loss $21,000.

FORT SCOTT, Kansas, Feb. 24.—A terrific thunder storm, accompanied by violent wind, passed over Baxter Springs last night and demolished a number of buildings, including an unfinished Presbyterian Church, and a large two-story building. The ruins, which subsequently caught fire, now burned, together with the adjacent store of ARENDT & DOEGLER. The total loss is about $21,000. No insurance.

High Wind at Cleveland—Gable of a School-House Blown Down—Panic Among the Children.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 24.—The entire front gable end of the brick school-house, at the corner of Bridget and Kentucky streets, was blown in this morning, reducing that part of the building to a mass of ruins. The school was in session at the time, the scholars numbering between 100 and 200. The panic among the children was fearful, but fortunately none were killed and but two injured. Several minor accidents have occurred during the day, caused by the high wind.

A Tornado at Jefferson City—Buildings Unroofed—One Man Fatally Injured.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 24.—A tornado passed over Jefferson City last night, lasting about thirty minutes. Portions of the Penitentiary were unroofed, and part of the walls was blown down, injuring the engine-room so much that work must be stopped in the shops operated by steam. The damage on the buildings is about fifteen thousand dollars. The roofs of the Lincoln Institute and other buildings were partially removed, and considerable other damage was done. The guard at the Penitentiary was severely and perhaps fatally injured by falling timbers.

THE PACIFIC COAST.

Smuggling Opium—J. Ross Browne En Route for England—The Recent Storm.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 24.—Officers FINNEGAN and DRISCOLL, of the Harbor Police, have been convicted in the United States Circuit Court of smuggling opium from the China steamers....J. ROSS BROWNE, late Minister of the United States to China, left overland, yesterday, for England and Germany....The steamers *Tabor* and *Orizaba* were blown out to sea from San Perdo three times, and finally sailed for San Francisco yesterday.

Postponement of the Pennsylvania Republican State Convention.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 24.—A meeting of the Republican State Central Committee was held in this city, today, to consider a proposition for the postponement of the State Convention in Harrisburg for the nomination of candidates for the positions of Auditor-General and Surveyor-General. It was stated that it was probable it would be necessary to nominate an additional number of Judges, and that, if the bill now before the Legislature looking to amendment of the State Constitution should be passed, it would be necessary to nominate delegates to the Constitutional Convention. For these reasons, after a full consultation, it was unanimously voted that the time for the assembling of the Convention be postponed from the 10th of March to the 17th of May next.

Miscellaneous Telegrams.

BOSTON, Feb. 24.—Col. WHITLEY has arrested a notorious gang of counterfeiters, who made their head-quarters in Boston but dealt in counterfeit money in various parts of New-England. Three of the ringleaders were taken into custody this evening.

NEW-ORLEANS, Feb. 24.—By a collision on the Jackson Road Wednesday night two engines and tenders were smashed, but it is reported that nobody was hurt.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 24.—GEO. E. BLAKE, the oldest music publisher in the United States, died this morning at his residence in Sixth-street, above Chestnut-street, in the ninety-fifth year of his age.

Meteorological Record.

The following is the Signal Service report of the state of the weather and wind last night, Friday, Feb. 24, at 11:47 o'clock:

Place of Observation.	Barometer Reduced to Sea Level.	Thermometer.	Direction of the Wind.	Force of the Wind.	State of the Weather
Augusta, Ga.	30.20	54	..	Calm.	Clear.
Baltimore	30.02	50	S. W.	Gentle.	Clear.
Boston, Mass.	29.61	40	W.	Gentle.	Cloudy.
Buffalo	30.27	41	S. W.	Very brisk.	Fair.
Charleston	30.22	58	..	Calm.	Fair.
Cheyenne	29.69	16	N.W.	Gentle.	Clear.
Chicago, Ill.	30.08	29	W.	Brisk.	Fair.
Cincinnati, O.	30.07	36	S. E.	Gentle.	Fair.
Cleveland	29.96	44	S. W.	Gentle.	Clear.
Corinne	29.52	27	N.	Brisk.	Cloudy.
Detroit	29.86	40	S. W.	Very brisk.	Clear.
Duluth, Minn.	29.89	21	S. E.	Gentle.	Clear.
Indianapolis	30.02	45	N. W.	Gentle.	Clear.
Key West	30.19	72	E.	Brisk.	Fair.
Knoxville, Tenn	30.14	57	N. W.	Gentle.	Cloudy.
Lake City, Fla.	30.22	60	..	Calm.	Clear.
Milwaukee	29.96	38	W.	Brisk.	Clear.
Mobile, Ala.	30.16	65	S.	....	Fair.
Nashville	30.08	62	S.	Gentle.	Cloudy.
New-Orleans	30.10	68	S. E.	Gentle.	Fair.
New-York	29.90	47	W.	Gentle.	Cloudy.
Omaha	30.30	20	..	Calm.	Fair.
Oswego	29.61	49	S. W.	Brisk.	Fair.
Philadelphia	29.95	52	S. W.	....	Fair.
Pittsburg	29.98	61	W.	Brisk.	Fair.
Portland, Me.	29.75	41	S. W.	Brisk.	Cloudy.
Rochester, N.Y.	29.74	47	S. W.	Brisk.	Clear.
San Francisco	30.53	27	N.	Brisk.	Cloudy.
Savannah	30.26	57	..	Calm.	Fair.
St. Louis, Mo.	30.02	46	N. W.	Gentle.	Clear.
St. Paul, Minn.	30.02	30	W.	Gentle.	Clear.
Toledo, O	29.96	42	S. W.	Gentle.	Clear.
Washington	29.93	48	S.	Gentle.	Clear.
Wilmington, N.C.	30.18	68	S.	Gentle.	Clear.
Norfolk	30.16	60	S.	Very brisk.	Clear.
New-London	29.83	44	S. W.	Brisk.	Cloudy.
Mt. Washington	28.57	33	S. W.	Gale.	Cloudy.

Barometer corrected for temperature and elevation.

The Weather on Mount Washington—A Thaw.

SUMMIT, Mount Washington, Feb. 24.—Observations taken at 7 P. M. Barometer, 23.57 being a change of .33; thermometer 33°, being a change of plus 10°; relative humidity, .89; direction of wind, south south-west; velocity of wind 60 miles per hour. Both barometer and thermometer have been higher during the past two days than at any time during this month. This morning it commenced to rain, the thermometer indicating 35°. The clouds passed off the mountain at 11 A. M., but by 12 M. the Summit was covered again, and is still covered. Every particle of snow and ice has thowed off the depot, and also from the roof of the Tip-top and Summit Houses. The trestle-work of the railway is entirely free of ice in the upper part of the mountain.

Arrival of the City of Baltimore.

The steam-ship *City of Baltimore*, from Liverpool Feb. 11, and Queenstown 12th, via Halifax 22d, reached this port this morning.

WASHINGTON.

Movements of the British Members of the Joint High Commission.

Onslaught of the Democrats of the Senate Upon the Enforcement Act.

Talking Against Time—Gen. Butler's Kuklux Bill—Fate of the Southern Pacific Bill Problematical—The Government and the Union Pacific—Text of the New Steam-Boat Bill.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The English members of the Joint High Commission visited the State Department this morning and were introduced to Mr. FISH by Sir EDWARD THORNTON. An informal and entirely personal conversation ensued. They will be introduced to the President to-morrow by Mr. FISH. A preliminary meeting will probably be held on Monday next, but they will not organize regularly for work until the arrival of Messrs. MACDONALD, NORTHCOTE and HOAR. There seems to be an impression that the sessions and discussions of the Commission are to be open, and an impudent fellow, today, asked to be furnished with facilities for reporting them.

GEN. BUTLER'S KUKLUX BILL.

A determined effort will be made by Gen. BUTLER and some of the Southern members to pass, at the present session, what is known as the Kuklux bill now before the Reconstruction Committee, which was introduced into the House by Mr. COBB, of North Carolina, but it is understood, written by Gen. BUTLER. The bill is deemed very objectionable in some repects, and though some action may have to be taken by Congress to reach the causes of Southern troubles, many people deem it premature to take such action before the Senate Committee, now investigating outrages at the South, have made a report.

THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD BILL.

The fate of the Southern Pacific Railroad bill is problematical. Some of its friends in the Senate unhesitatingly say that, if they cannot have the bill as it passed the Senate, they do not want it at all; they will probably have to accept the latter contingency unless they yield their preferences. Their objection to Mr. WHEELER'S substitute is that it is a Northern road with Northern connections, Northern officers, a Northern gauge, &c. Mr. WHEELER adheres to the position that the Government has no aid to give to a Southern road, that its aid must be to a national road, with connections for both North and South, and that the Government dare not, in the face of its experiences during the past ten years, give aid to a road which shall discriminate unduly in favor of any section of the country at the expense of other sections. The statement that the road has a northern gauge is not sustained by any facts beyond the provision which authorizes the Company to establish a uniform gauge. This would probably lead the Company to adopt a gauge to conform with their most important Northern connections; hence the opposition from the Southern interests. A Conference Committee will probably be agreed upon to-morrow.

NEW ROUTE FROM WASHINGTON TO RICHMOND.

Gentlemen who arrived here from Richmond this morning represent much rejoicing there at the passage through the Legislature of the bill granting to the Pennsylvania Railroad Company a charter for a line of road from Washington to Richmond. It was bitterly opposed by some rival railroad interests centering at Norfolk, and by the anti-progressive Yankee-hating dog-in-the-manger part of Virginia people, which element is growing smaller every day. It is regarded as a triumph of the more liberal element in the business and politics of Virginia. This result insures the opening of the new route between Washington and Baltimore during the coming Summer.

GOVERNMENT AND THE UNION PACIFIC.

Senator CARPENTER today submitted in the Senate the report of the majority of the Judiciary Committee regarding the right of the Secretary of the Treasury to retain all the compensation for services rendered for the United States by the Union Pacific Railroad, to apply on the interest of the bonds given to aid in its construction. The Committee decide that only one-half this compensation can be retained by the Secretary. The report is marked by the ability that characterizes all the decisions emanating from the same source, and is very interesting. Mr. EDMUNDS expressed his dissent to the conclusion of the majority of the Committee, but did not present a minority report. Mr. STEWART, from the Pacific Railroad Committee, made a report showing the saving to the Government in the cost of transportation by the building of roads, and recommending that all Government freight be transported by that route, in which case the retention of half the compensation will be sufficient to pay all the interest.

SENATOR SPRAGUE AND COTTON.

In the early part of next week Mr. THURMAN, Chairman of the Select Committee appointed some time ago to investigate the charges against Senator SPRAGUE of illicit traffic in cotton during the rebellion, will present to the Senate a report from the Committee. The report will show that, although no peremptory summons of witnesses has been issued, those who made the charges have been invited to appear and furnish evidence in proof, and that they have not made use of the opportunity. Further, the papers before the Committee bearing on the case furnish no evidence of Mr. SPRAGUE'S having had any improper connection with the cotton trade, but quite the reverse. What will not be shown in the report is, that those who made the charges do not profess, privately, to believe them, or at least that the Senator was responsible for the questionable manner in which the man HOYT carried on the business of which he had secured charge by deception and cheating. The evidence shows that the parties employing HOYT were deceived from the beginning and lost all they invested. In accordance with the evidence, the Committee will report that the charges have not been sustained.

THE DEMOCRATS AND THE ENFORCEMENT ACT.

After the Indian Appropriation bill was finished by the Senate last evening, Mr. CONKLING moved to take up the House bill making amendments to the Enforcement act passed last session. The motion was opposed by the Democrats with all their might, and Messrs. CASSERLY and THURMAN went so far as to refuse to vote in order to destroy a quorum. But it was no use; some absent Senators were invited in, the quorum was made up, and at 11½ o'clock the bill was taken up and the Senate adjourned. It consequently came before the Senate at the close of the morning hour today, instead of the Post-office Appropriation bill. The Democrats are determined to fight it to the last, and have declared their intention to talk till the 4th of March if need be to prevent action. Mr. VICKERS led off, declaiming, of course, against the unconstitutionality of the General Government interfering in State elections. Mr. JOHNSTON moved an amendment, and made his motion a peg on which to hang a long speech. SAULSBURY came in to take his part in the talk against time, though he has scarcely been in his seat for a week. Mr. DAVIS was resting as a reserve, and can be depended on to speak as many hours as he can keep awake. The Republican members are sparing their strength by lounging in the cloak and committee rooms, where they can be easily found when needed to vote; and if their pluck lasts, they can hold a continuous session for a week. There were some indications toward dark that the Democratic back would break, but they proved delusive. The final result will be of interest to note, but the meaningless flow of words preceding it will cause nothing but weariness. When it will all end cannot be anticipated.

SENATOR MILLER, OF GEORGIA.

The House yesterday concurred in the Senate resolution admitting Dr. MILLER, of Georgia, to a seat, and it was signed by the President and returned to Congress today. Dr. MILLER was immediately sworn in, taking the same oath as Mr. HILL took, according to the provision of the resolution. He will be a Senator for only eight days, as his term expires with the present Congress.

THE OMNIBUS BILL IN THE HOUSE.

The House was, today, wholly engaged on the Sundry Civil Appropriation bill, and passed upon nearly half its items. The item giving Massachusetts $230,100 as reimbursement for expenses on account of coast defenses, was stricken out on a point of order as not germane to the bill. Mr. BROOKS made his usual point on interference in elections, by moving a proviso to the paragraph appropriating two millions of dollars for the expenses of the Courts, to the effect that no portion of it should be used for interfering in elections. Of course it was not adopted. There was the usual factious opposition to the items for the charities of the District of Columbia, which ended in their being all passed. There arose a spicy debate on the item paying JOSEPH S. WILSON, Ex-Commissioner of the Land Office, $10,000 for collecting the valuable museum now connected with that office. It was supported by some of the strongest men in the House, and Mr. KELSEY'S motion to strike it out was not agreed to.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

THE NEW GOVERNMENT LOAN.

The Secretary of the Treasury has appointed CALEB C. NORVELL, Esq., financial editor of the NEW-YORK TIMES, as advertising agent for the new Government loan.

ARMY OF THE TENNESSEE.

The fifth regular meeting of the Society of the Army of the Tennessee will be held in Cincinnati on the 6th and 7th of April, commencing at 10 o'clock A. M. Col. JOHN W. NOBLE, of the Third Iowa Cavalry, will deliver the annual address. The notice is signed by Gen. SHERMAN, who says that any officer who has any time served with honor in the Army and Department of the Tennessee, is, by the constitution, entitled to a membership, and that all such, as well as members of kindred societies, are cordially invited to attend.

DISPOSITION OF THE SUBSIDY BILLS.

The Senate today indefinitely postponed the bill providing for lines of steamers for the conveyance of mails and emigrant passengers between New-York and Europe; the bill to establish a line of American steam-ships between the United States and Europe; the bill establishing a steam-ship line between New-York and Antwerp, and the bill providing for an American line of mail and emigrant passenger steamships between New-York, Copenhagen, or other Scandinavian ports; the bill to encourage the building of steam-ships in the United States by providing all materials used in constructing and fitting out steam-ships to be released from all dues payable to the United States, whether Customs or internal revenue; also the bill to regulate the immigration of Chinese to the United States, the bill to abolish the office of Naval Officer, the bill requiring passenger vessels to be provided with a detaching apparatus, and the bill relating to ocean telegraphs, one of the provisions giving a general permission to lay cables in any of the waters of the United States.

NOMINATIONS.

The following nominations were sent to the Senate today:

W. A. Farling to be Lieutenant in the Revenue Marine Service; John C. Witcher to be Collector of Internal Revenue for the Third District of West Virginia; Robert Clarke to be Assessor of the First District of Georgia; Cornelius Hedges to be United States Attorney for Montana; Charles K. Yousey to be Assistant Surgeon in the United States Navy; George C. Dyruen to be Second Assistant Engineer in the United States Army; Joshua Bishop to be Lieutenant Commander in the United States Navy.

INTEREST ON RAILROAD BONDS.

Report of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary on the Payment of Interest on Bonds Issued in Aid of Railroads—Case of the Union Pacific Bonds.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 24.—Senator CARPENTER made a report today from the Committee on the Judiciary, who were authorized by a resolution in December last to inquire and report whether the railroad companies which have received aid in bonds of the United States are lawfully bound to reimburse the United States for the interest paid on such bonds before the maturity of the principal thereof, and if so what legislation, if any, is necessary to compel such reimbursement; and by a resolution of Feb. 16, 1871, were instructed to inquire and report as to the right of the Treasury Department to retain all the compensation for services rendered for the United States by the Union Pacific Railroad and its branches to apply on the interest of the bonds issued by the United States to aid in the construction of said roads.

The report commences by citing the fifth section of the act of 1864, upon which the question arises, and construes the effect of that section to require the railroad companies to repay the bonds and interest not absolutely and in the ordinary course of business, but as hereinafter the act provided. It also provides that the Secretary of the Treasury may take possession of the mortgaged premises on the refusal of the company to redeem said bonds, or any part of them, in accordance with the provisions of this act. But as this section neither provides for the manner in which the principal and interest shall be paid, nor the manner in which said bonds or any part of them shall be redeemed, we must look elsewhere in the act for such provision. We find it in section 6, as follows:

SEC. 6. That the grants aforesaid—that is, the grant of lands and the grant of bonds—are made upon condition that said Company shall pay said bonds at maturity, and shall keep said railroad and telegraph line in repair and use, and shall at all times transmit dispatches over said telegraph line, and transport mails, troops and munitions of war, supplies and public stores, upon said railroad for the Government, whenever required to do so by any Department thereof, and that the Government shall at all times have the preference in the use of the same for all the purposes aforesaid; and all compensation for services rendered for the Government shall be applied to the payment of said bonds and the interest, until the whole amount is fully paid. Said Company may also pay the United States, wholly or in part, in the same or other bonds, Treasury notes, or other evidences of debt against the United States to be allowed at par, and after said road is completed, until said bonds and interest are paid, at least five per cent. of the net earnings of said road shall be annually applied to the payment thereof.

In other words, the preceding section, in saying that a mortgage shall be created to secure payment as hereinafter provided, and that the Secretary may seize the road if the Company shall make default in redeeming the bonds or any parts of them, in accordance with the provisions of this act, refers to the sixth section, which declares when and how the payment secured by the mortgage shall be made, and how the bonds shall be redeemed. Turning to that section, we read as follows:

First—Said Company shall pay said bonds at maturity.

That is, said Company shall pay said bonds in thirty years from their date, because then the bonds mature. In common speech and in legal language, a bond matures when the principal or some part of it falls due. A coupon bond is not matured or past due when its first coupon is due. A bond with overdue coupons attached, if the principal sum be not due, is still a negotiable investment, and the statute of limitations does not begin to run even upon the first coupon until the bond itself—that is, the principal sum secured by the bond—becomes due. There is, therefore, no analogy between such a bond and a note or contract where the principal sum is payable by installments. City vs. Lamson, 9 Wall, 477. When, therefore, an act of Congress refers to the maturity of a bond, it must be construed to mean the time when the principal sum secured by the bond falls due. This would be the legal effect of a collateral undertaking by A to pay to B the amount of C's bond, if C failed to pay it at its maturity. It could mean nothing else, because the bond does not mature until the principal sums fall due.

The opinion of Judge NELSON in City vs. LAMSON, in the Supreme Court of the United States, is then quoted, showing that a coupon is not an independent instrument, but is a mere incident of the bond, and evidence only of the covenant to pay interest in the body of the bond, adopted for mere purposes of convenience. The report then continues: What is true of a coupon bond would be true of a registered bond, as the bonds issued in aid of this road are understood to have been; therefore the provision—said company shall pay said bonds—binds the company to pay not only the principal sums but the interest thereon. But when is the Company to make this payment of principal and interest? By the express language before quoted from the act—said Company shall pay said bonds at maturity; that is, at the maturity of the bonds the Company shall pay all that the bonds call for, or in yet other words, in thirty years from the date of the bonds the Company shall pay to the United States the principal and interest represented by the bonds. Had it been the intention of Congress to require the Company to pay the interest as it should become due, the act should have read: "Said Company shall pay said bonds at maturity, *and the interest thereon as it shall become due.*"

It may be said that the Company being required to pay the bonds at maturity, and the bonds themselves calling for payment of interest, the bond must be considered to be matured to the extent of the coupon first due.

But this has before been shown to be unsound. If, when a year's interest falls due, the bond could be considered as matured *pro tanto*, then, of course, the statute of limitation would commence running upon the bond, in so far as it represents such interest, which, as already seen, is not the case.

The word "maturity" relates only to the principal sum. This is the law even in relation to promissory notes. A note payable in twenty years, interest payable annually, is not barred by the statute of limitations as to any part of the interest until six years after the principal sum falls due. This view is consistent with, if not strengthened by, the phraseology of the fifth section, which requires the Company to secure the repayment of the bonds, together with all interest thereon which shall have been paid by the United States, and which shall have been paid when manifested at the time when the Company is compelled to pay the bonds. Had it been intended to compel the Company to pay the interest on the bonds as it should become due, the most natural phraseology to express that intention would have been, "the mortgage shall secure the repayment of said bonds together with all interest thereon as the same shall become due: but the phrase is, "together, with all interest thereon, which shall have been paid by the United States." Which seems simply that the United States was first to pay the interest, as it was bound to buy their bonds, and that the Company must repay it at the maturity of the bonds.

After citing several other legal authorities, the report refers to the proceedings in Congress at the passage of the act of 1862, and says:

Assuming, then, that it is proper in this case to search for the meaning of this act, outside its language, the proceedings in Congress will be found entirely conclusive. While the bill was before the Senate Mr. COLLAMER, who had evidently scanned it with a professional eye, and whose opinion of the proper construction of an act is respectable authority, moved to strike out in the fifth section the words "as hereinafter provided," and also the words "when required so to do by the Secretary of the Treasury in accordance with the provisions of this act," and in support of his amendment, which probably would have made the bill what it is now claimed to be, a bill imposing an absolute obligation upon the Company to pay the principal of these bonds, and the interest as it accrued in money. He said: "This bill carries the idea, and in this section provides for the repayment of this loan, as gentlemen call it." In a subsequent section it is provided: *That the payment shall be made in the carrying the mails supplies and military stores for the Government at fair prices, and also that five per cent. of the net proceeds or gains shall be set apart for the Government.*

That is all the provision there is in the bill for the payment. There is a security attempted to be given in this section. It provides, beginning at the thirteenth line—"and to secure the repayment to the United States, as hereinafter provided, of the amount of said bonds so issued and delivered to said Company, together with all interest thereon which shall have been paid by the United States. There shall be a lien on the line of the road (the language is) as hereinafter provided."

The only provision is setting apart five per cent. of the net proceeds. So that if you leave in these words, you have really nothing as a security for your bonds, unless you set your pay in the carrying of the mails, &c.; and if you do not get that service it goes for nothing. *The repayment is to be as in hereinafter provided, and the subsequent provisions is for carrying the mails and Government supplies.*

The debates and action of both Houses are further quoted to show that the construction of the act, now claimed by the Government, is different from the intention of Congress.

The following amendment from the act of 1864 is thus quoted:

Only one-half of the compensation for services rendered for the Government by the said companies shall be required to be applied to the payment of the bonds issued by the Government in aid of the construction of said roads. It would be bold dealing with the statute to say that the Secretary of this Treasury may require what an act of Congress says shall not be required. It may be said that conceding the liability of the Company now to pay the interest, equity would force a set off, and the Company ought not to receive from the Government what the Government is entitled immediately to recover back from the Company. To this it is sufficient answer that any right of the Government against its debtor may be released by act of Congress, and when Congress has declared that the application of "only one-half" of this sum shall be required, the Secretary of the Treasury cannot fall back upon the common law, or, by a pretended exercise of the jurisdiction of a Court of Equity, violate the statute and say that the whole sum shall be so applied. Your Committee were not called upon to criticise the wisdom of those acts of Congress, but to answer as to their true construction, and in discharging this duty the Committee is obliged to report the law as it is, without regard to what they might desire it to be. It is proper, however, to suggest that the Company is clearly bound to keep its road in repair and in use, and any failure of the Company in this respect would authorize the Government to take possession of the road.

The refusal of the Company to perform the services for the Government provided for by the sixth section, or to appropriate five per cent. of its net proceeds, would also authorize the Government to take possession. But, while the Company shall continue to comply with the requirements, the Government, if it has not all the security it might desire, has all it ever stipulated for and has no right to complain. And, at the maturity of the bonds, if the Company fails to pay the principal and interest, the Government may take possession of the road, which the Company, in the meantime, must keep in use and repair.

THE STEAM-BOAT BILL.

The New Bill Passed by Congress—Main Features of the Measure.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The Steam-boat bill, which has passed both Houses of Congress, and awaits the President's signature, is more careful and stringent than any one of a similar character heretofore enacted.

No license, register or enrollment is to be granted until satisfactory evidence be produced that all the provisions of this act have been complied with. Among other provisions, steamers are required to be provided with suitable pipes and valves attached to the boiler, to convey steam to the hold and the different compartments thereof to extinguish fire. Stoves are to be securely fastened, and all woodwork and other ignitible substances about the boilers, chimneys, cook-houses, and stove-pipes exposed to ignition shall be thoroughly shielded by some incombustible material. Steam-pumps, or equivalent apparatus, for throwing water, to be kept at all times. Loose hay, cotton, benzine, powder, and like dangerous articles are to be placed beyond danger by fire from the machinery. Watchmen are to be kept in the cabin and on each deck to guard against or give alarm of fire. A life-preserver for every cabin passenger to be provided, and a good life-preserver or float for each deck passenger. Every other class passenger to be kept in readiness for immediate use. Buckets filled with water always to be in readiness. Every steam-boat carrying passengers on the main deck, shall be provided with permanent stairways and other suitable convenient to such passengers for their escape to the upper deck in case of the vessel's sinking, or other accident endangering life, &c. In addition to wire filler-rope, iron rods, or chains, the hulls, boilers, and other machin

PERSONAL, POLITICAL, AND GENERAL.

The Western alumni of Bowdoin College had a reunion in Chicago on Tuesday night.

Dr. JOSEPH PALMER, the necrologist of Harvard College, is seriously ill.

Ex-Mayor SHURTLEFF and others, of Boston, have bought a portrait of ANSON BURLINGAME, intending to present it to the city.

That "ghost" is still annoying the clergymen in Buchanan, Va., and remains as great a mystery as ever.

The Philadelphia College of Pharmacy celebrated its semi-centennial anniversary on Thursday night.

The Republicans of New-Hampshire will begin their campaign-speaking next Monday night, and keep it up till the eve of the election.

Hon. WM. B. SMALL, the Republican candidate for Congress in the First District of New-Hampshire, is rapidly recovering from his illness.

Capt. THOMAS OWENS, of Arkansas, says he served four years in the Confederate Army and was paid $24 in Confederate money for it.

That street in Peoria, Ill., which about a year ago was called Turtle-Dove-avenue, on account of the number of newly-married couples living in it, is now known as Nursery-row.

CHARLES CARTER, of Windsor Locks, has been ordered by the Connecticut Superior Court to pay $2,000 for slandering a New-Haven man and his wife.

Petersburg, Va., had a $100,000 fire on Tuesday night. Wednesday morning the people were unanimously of the opinion that the city needs a steam fire-engine.

A Georgia paper tells with much glee how two Louisiana "ladies" grossly insulted Gen. LONGSTREET at a hotel table in New-Orleans, because he has accepted the results of the war and is now loyal to the Government.

A Jerseyman exhibits with rare pride to his most intimate friends a tray on which Mrs. RICHMOND carried to Gen. WASHINGTON his breakfast, as he was sitting on horseback in Trenton before leaving for Princeton.

Both Houses of the West Virginia Legislature have adopted a resolution providing for the appointment of Commissioners to treat with Virginia on the subject of its State debt and West Virginia's liability for a portion of it.

Hon. LEE CLAFLIN, father of Gov. CLAFLIN, of Massachusetts, who died on Thursday, was one of the oldest shoe-manufacturers in the State, and was remarkable for his enterprise, industry, benevolence and integrity. He was seventy-nine years old.

An Indiana Democrat announces that Hon. W. H. HOLMAN is to be the next Democratic candidate for Governor of his State, and Hon. D. W. VOORHEES for the Senate, while Hon. THOS. A. HENDRICKS will have the entire Indiana delegation in his favor for President, in the next Democratic National Convention.

A bar-tender in Philadelphia cruelly marked a cross on the foreheads of four little boot-blacks on Ash Wednesday, telling them after he had learned by inquiry that they were Catholics, that it was done with some ashes he had received direct from the Pope. He has been bound over for trial.

The Superintendent of the public schools in Boston reports that the precise ratio of the average number of pupils belonging to all the day schools to the whole school population in that city is seventy-six and four-tenths per cent., and that this is a higher percentage than can be shown by any other large city in the country.

A bill is before the Pennsylvania Legislature to relieve bequests made for public, religious, charitable, or educational purposes from the payment of collateral inheritance tax, and a Philadelphia paper thinks it ought to pass even if by such action the ability of the Register of Wills to purchase brown-stone mansions and diamonds should be somewhat restricted.

Hon. THOMAS H. SELBY is urged by the San Francisco *Alta* for the Republican nomination for Governor of California. It says that his record is the record of glowing furnaces, puffing smoke-stacks, contented and well-paid industry and prosperity, and that it is by such men that the foundations of States are laid broad and deep.

A young man in Middlebury, Md., whose store had been robbed, nicely fixed a spring gun for the benefit of the burglars, should they return; but, unhappily, meeting an old customer on his way home, who wished to get something from the store, he went back and thoughtlessly opened the door. He died the next morning.

GEORGE COFFING, of Salisbury, has accepted the Republican nomination for Congress in the Fourth District of Connecticut, although he expressed his unwillingness that his name should be used in the Convention. The Bridgeport *Standard* says that he is a man in every way worthy of support, and that he can be elected.

A bridegroom in Monroe, Wis., discharged a gun into a crowd of boys who had come to serenade him and his bride, and learned the next morning that he had instantly killed one of his new brothers-in-law, besides seriously wounding two other persons. He gave himself up to the Police, and claims that he thought the gun was not loaded, and only intended to frighten the boys.

An Eastern paper, speaking of "poor JACK MAGRUDER," says that when he drove to the battle-field in kid gloves behind a pair of fast trotters, he did nothing out of character. Eccentricity was one of his strongest points, and his thoroughly genial heart, his free generosity and his hearty friendship readily excused his idiosyncracies with all who knew him. He was the soul of conviviality, a lion among the ladies, and a military exquisite.

Portland, Maine, is very happy. It has three European steamers loading there, and steamers, too, that draw twenty-three feet of water, and yet come right up to its wharves. And as freight enough has accumulated there for two more, the little city turns exultingly to Boston, and asks why it should sneeze at the "natural sea-port," when it cannot find freight enough to run one steamer a week.

The publishers of the Albany *Evening Journal* have issued their Almanac for 1871. For the use of politicians and business men it is one of the very best publications of the kind. It gives a large amount of political statistics accurately, a complete statement of the census by counties and States, and the names of the national and State authorities. In matters relating to the State of New-York it is peculiarly full.

One of the cars attached to a train which arrived at Detroit on Tuesday evening, was found to contain a little girl about five years old, to whose cloak was pinned a paper inscribed: "This girl goes to Kendallville, Indiana." No one could be found in the train who knew anything about her, and a lady, en route to her home in Toledo, took the child, expressing her willingness to keep her until her friends were heard from.

Mrs. ESTHER J. AMSDELL has been awarded a divorce from her husband, a wealthy brewer in Albany, and has been granted an alimony of $50,000—$20,000 to be paid down and $30,000 to be secured on bond and mortgage—beside $500 yearly for the support of each of her two children, of whom she retains the custody during their minority. The report of the referee was confirmed on Tuesday evening, and on Wednesday a check for the $20,000 was handed to her representative.

At the banquet given him in Louisville, Senator elect STEVENSON said that in no unwary moment would he forget that he should act not at the mere behests of party, but in the interests of the entire country, and that when he came to act for Kentucky it should be for the honor of the whole State, whether Republican or Democratic. We quote further: "Let us forget that we ever had a war. Let every true American heart banish from its receptacle the thought that this country was ever divided. United at home with all the strength that the Constitution has given to the Federal Government, and reserving what the same blessed instrument has given to the States, while poor, distracted Europe is bleeding at every pore, let us still hold out our recuperated free Government as the true type of liberty; and in the family of nations abroad let the clustering glories of the American Republic be the true type now and forever of civilized liberty. And why should it not be so? Let us dispel prejudice, forget the past, gird up our loins for the mighty race that is in store for this young Hercules of America."

HON. WILLIAM H. SEWARD.

His Departure from Hong-Kong—Reception and Speech at the American Consulate.

Hon. WM. H. SEWARD arrived at Hong-Kong on the 26th of December, and remained until the 10th of January, when he left for Singapore and Madras. While in Hong-Kong, he held a public reception at the American Consulate. Being introduced by W. BAILEY, our Consul, in a few remarks, he then made the following speech, retaining his seat on account of his infirmity. He said:

MR. CONSUL AND GENTLEMEN: The questions which engaged the American people at the time to which you have too kindly referred, (the time when Mr. SEWARD led public opinion with respect to the abolition of slavery,) were two, namely, first, the elimination of slavery from the United States; and, secondly, the saving of the Union of the States which constitute the American Republic. Both these questions have at last been decided for the right, after a fearful civil war. I think there is not living a man on this round earth who was among the rebels or enemies of the State who now regrets that adjustment. Our great statesman, DANIEL WEBSTER, foresaw only the struggle, and expressed his earnest wish that his dying eyes might not close on a dismembered, a disunited, a belligerent Republic. For us who have survived both him and the struggle there appears a brighter and more glorious prospect. It is the spread of the civilization of Western nations over the whole American Continent, connecting with it, by absolute necessity the regeneration of the Pacific coast. This is the great work which is to be accomplished under the auspices of the United States of America, happily with the approbation of all the nations of Europe. The first Emperor of the French invented the modern empire as an engine of war; the second dedicated it to peace. Happily for mankind, it failed for both purposes. On the other hand, we, who have studied the course of events, know full well that the republic, that is to say, the modern republic of our own days, our civilization is everywhere and always, "Peace on earth and good will toward men." Holding that this fact is clearly established, and in the conviction which we have, also, that this great problem directly concerns two of the great continents, and indirectly involves the interests of all mankind, I have attempted to study the probable working out of this problem of modern civilization. I have heretofore travelled over the American Pacific coast to mark its working, and with this simple object am now observing Asiatic countries. I will not fatigue you with political speaking, which would be out of place, but I may say one or two things without disloyalty to my own country, or to the Empire under which I stand, or unfriendly to any other nation. I would say briefly that a third Christian mission of missionary laborers in China, but I look for the practical advancement of civilization in China chiefly to commerce—commerce across the Pacific Ocean, commerce by steam across the American Continent and across the Atlantic Ocean. Notwithstanding all the doubts I see and hear expressed, I regard that commerce as now firmly established and secure. No falsehood it has ever gained can be lost. It is continuous. It is guaranteed by the necessities of both continents, and by the enlightened policy of all Western nations. Say what they may the whole world cannot prevent this commerce from regenerating China and Japan. There is no measure to its expansion and enlargement, because a trade that is firmly established must be destined to great increase. The free emigration of the Chinese to the American and other foreign continents is the essential element of that trade and commerce. Chinese emigration to the American continent will tend to increase the wealth and strength of all Western nations; while, at the same time, the removal of the surplus population of China will tend much to take away the obstructions which now impede the introduction into China of art, science, morality, religion. No one wants permission in China to make or sell any fabric that can be produced cheaper here, and the making of which is necessary for the support of the Chinese people. This seems to be laid down in the policy of the United States, which it has been attempted to maintain on its own broad foundations. No one thing of its own—the practice of equal and exact justice toward China and the Chinese. When that shall have been completed, and we are able to show ourselves willing to render justice, it will be in our right to make increased demands for an extension of commercial facilities. The railroads, a telegraph, a free Press, all may be attained by foreign nations who are just to China, and who leave mankind to decide. It is said that progress here seems slow, but I always find that events progress faster than we can keep up with them. I have just come from Japan, and say, with confidence, that the state of affairs in China today, is not one whit more discouraging than it seemed to be in Japan eight years ago, and nobody now distrusts Japan. But I must not enlarge. I beg to express my acknowledgment for the kindness which I have received in Hong Kong and Canton, which has not been exceeded anywhere. I shall wish for nothing happier than to a share in the regeneration of China, with which you have identified your fortunes, and I pray God that those fortunes may be successful. I shall carry to my home a pleasing remembrance of this day, which shall last as long as I live.

MR. SEWARD IN THE NORTH.

The following correspondence between Mr. SEWARD and WAN-TSIANG, the distinguished Chinese statesman, is published in the Shanghai *News Letter*:

UNITED STATES LEGATION, PEKIN, Nov. 8, 1870.

YOUR EXCELLENCY: Having arrived at Pekin, on a journey through the East, I have had an earnest desire to obtain the advantages of an acquaintance with the statesman who has figured so long and eminently in the Chinese Empire. I learn with sincere sorrow of your illness, which has prevented a public meeting with your Excellency at the Office of Foreign Affairs. May I request your Excellency to ask that you will allow me to pay my respects to you at your private residence, if the state of your health shall at any time permit.

With distinguished respect, your obedient servant,

WILLIAM H. SEWARD.

His Excellency WAN-TSIANG.

To this WAN-TSIANG replied in the following terms:

I have had the honor to receive your note. I have long heard of your Excellency's great fame, which for many years has been cherished by all nations, and myself have also exceedingly respected you, and longed for a better acquaintance. Since you have come to this country, the high officers will be still more desirous of seeing and conversing with you; but as for myself, my old malady having returned, I have been obliged to ask for leave of absence, and it was a cause of regret and disappointment that I was unable to meet you on the 7th instant, when you visited the Foreign office.

I have your note of yesterday, in which you propose to yourself the great trouble of coming to see me—a proposal that I shall engrave on my heart and write on my bones. But my residence is mean and small, and its condition would I fear offend you, which would be a matter of deep regret to me; and I have therefore set apart the 11th instant to come and call on you at 1 o'clock P. M., if I am anywise able to do so, when we can converse at length.

I shall be pleased to receive a reply, and avail myself of this occasion to wish that happiness may daily be yours.

CARD OF WAN-TSIANG.

NOV. 9, 1870.

The Attack on Mr. Seward and His Party by Chinese Boys.

From the San Francisco Bulletin, Feb. 17.

The *North China Herald* relates that when Mr. SEWARD and his party were returning from a visit to the pagoda at Woo-chang, opposite Hankow, on the Yangtse-kiang, they were pursued by a crowd of boys and beggers, clamorous for a "cumshaw of cash." As the party were not provided for the emergency, the boys pelted with stones the chairs in which the Ex-Secretary and his friends were being carried, until frightened off by the yells of the Coolie bearers. Although nobody was hurt, we may presume that the good nature of even such a persistent optimist as Mr. SEWARD failed to regard the assault in the light of a pleasant incident, palliated as it was by an immediate expression of apology and regret from the Tao-tai of Hankow, who also caused proclamations to be issued, with a view to prevent the repetitions of such indecorous offenses against foreigners.

Now while the Chinese boys have simply proved their kinship with the ingenious youth of San Francisco, of both sexes, who extend to every arrival from China the compliment of a fusilade of sticks, stones and mud as the strangers pass along our streets, the remainder of the incident is not quite paralleled in our local experience. The Tao-tai of San Francisco has never apologized for these displays of eccentric hospitality, nor has he published proclamations to prevent their recurrence. The license permitted to our lively youth has seldom been restricted. Adult spectators have smiled upon and applauded it, and even, on some occasions, have promptly punished any officious—not official—intermeddler, who tried to stop the innocent sport.

Boys and dogs are alike all over the world in their aversion to strangers, particularly if marked by some peculiarity of color or costume. When the early gold-seekers from our Atlantic ports stopped at South American cities on their way around Cape Horn, and took horse or mule-back rides into the suburbs, they were pelted by young ragamuffins; but in no instance did the adult native incite or approve this humorous mode of welcome. That was left for a nation as intelligent and polite as our own. It would be strange indeed if we could not improve upon the practices of people less civilized than ourselves, and surpass them in the display of those courtesies which are as pleasant between nations as between individuals.

A Singular Suit—The Ownership of a Letter Written by George Washington in Dispute.

The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, sitting in Philadelphia, was occupied on Tuesday in hearing arguments in the case of the First Troop of Philadelphia City Cavalry against SAMUEL MORRIS and ELLISTON P. MORRIS. The suit was brought to decide the ownership of a letter written by Gen. GEORGE WASHINGTON, which bears no personal address. The following is a copy of the document:

The Philadelphia Troop of Light Horse under command of Capt'n MORRIS having performed their Tour of duty are discharged for the present. I take this opportunity of returning my most sincere thanks to the Capt'n and to the Gentlemen who compose the Troop for the essential Service which they have rendered to their Country and to me personally during the course of this severe Campaign. The' composed of Gentlemen of Fortune they have shown a noble example of discipline and subordination; and its several actions have shown Spirit and Bravery which will ever do Honor to them and will ever be gratefully remembered by me.

Given at Head Quarters at Morris Town This 3rd Jan'y 1771.

GO: WASHINGTON.

THE NORTH AND THE SOUTH.

The Impolicy of Hate Even From the Democratic Stand-Point—Some Suggestions to the Democratic Leaders from a Leading Southern Democratic Journal.

From the Louisville Courier-Journal, Feb. 23.

Things are not at all lovely out in Arkansas. That CLAYTON is a mischievous fellow, no one will deny. That he deserves impeachment as richly as HOLDEN is hardly contradicted. But the action of the Democrats in both cases seems to us unwise. It is not our sue to resort to extreme measures or to lay ourselves open to the charge of getting up disturbances. Our cue is order and quiet, and we can afford to abate a little in the distribution of justice and to let such culprits go. Retribution is sure to overtake them, and we should prefer to have it come through some other process than the doubtful and semi-revolutionary method of impeachment, an example started by the Radicals and born of Radicalism.

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Evacuation of Charleston.

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Respectfully,

FIRST TO ENTER.

NEW-YORK, Friday, Feb. 24, 1871.

[The date of the evacuation is given in Harpers' edition of *Haydn's Dictionary of Dates* as Feb. 22. In several records and histories it is given as Feb. 17. Our correspondent, however, is right, and the Messrs. HARPER will doubtless have their error corrected.]

The Frauds of Tweed & Co.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

It has been stated in the newspapers that the costs in the proceedings to widen Broadway have been taxed at $160,000. Can this be? If it be true, tell us by what Judge they were taxed, and give the public a copy of the bill, if it be possible to get it. I know that all information as to the City Government is carefully suppressed, where it is not actually destroyed. But, prior to TWEED's charter, there were means of obtaining it. It is not unlikely that that cunningly-devised instrument has legalized the withholding of this and other information; but still there should be some way of getting at it, and if the Controller has paid the money, as is alleged, would not a bill filed by a tax-payer bring out an answer?

It is pretended that TWEED's late bill, repealing the act under which the widening took place, was in the interest of justice and to prevent the commission of fraud; but how can that be so when the bill expressly provides that this $160,000—almost all of it sheer robbery—shall be paid to the very persons who have been guilty of the fraud, if fraud there have been.

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Street Paving in Violation of Law.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

A law was passed by the Legislature in 1870 which requires the assent of two-thirds of the property-owners before the repaving of a street can be undertaken. In defiance of the law green blocks of wood put upon the bare earth, have been used to pave West Fifteenth-street, from Broadway to Sixth-avenue, without consulting the property-owners. The assessment for this "job" is $237 75 for a space of twenty-five by fifteen feet. One hundred dollars, I am told, would give a reasonable profit for that space. Suits have been pending for nearly two years where payment for similar "jobs" has been resisted. These suits are delayed until a sufficient number of "jobs" are completed to satisfy the "Ring," and then the tax-payers will be called upon to refund the money illegally taken from the property-owners. When I suggested to influential citizens the propriety of calling a mass-meeting to denounce these bare-faced robberies, the reply was: "There's no use in it; we are in the hands of unprincipled rulers and must submit." Why not stand still and let the more common thief take your watch and wallet? It is only submitting to the same thing on a smaller scale. VICTIM.

A Frigate for Gov. Hoffman in Brooklyn—Amusing Scene in the Court of Sessions.

A curious illustration of the absurd liberality with which pardons have of late been granted to convicted criminals took place yesterday, before Judge TROY, in the Brooklyn Court of Sessions. JOHN COLLINS was placed on trial, charged with having committed burglary on the 20th of November last, in the house of Mrs. DOHERTY, No. 75 State-street. After some little evidence had been taken for the prosecution, the prisoner admitted his guilt, and the jury, under the direction of the Court, brought in a verdict of burglary in the third degree. When COLLINS was brought up for sentence, Judge TROY recognized the criminal, and asked him if he had not been convicted once before. He said that he had. "Five years ago," said he, "I was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment, but Gov. HOFFMAN, bless his soul, pardoned me."

"In view of that fact," replied the Judge, "I shall now send you to the State Prison for a period of four years." No sooner had the sentence been pronounced than the prisoner commenced to swear at the Court in the most vigorous manner, stigmatizing his Honor in a manner unfit for publication. The Judge, in language almost as vigorous, asked why the policemen did not take the miscreant away. A struggle ensued between the convict and the officers, but at last, after having been well clubbed, he moved off to prison.

Free Lecture to Working Men.

The hall of the Working Men's Free Reading-room, No. 207 Greenwich-street, was crowded, last evening, in every part, by an audience composed of working men and residents in the neighborhood, who had gathered to listen to a lecture by Dr. E. D. G. Prime, entitled "Around the World." The reverend gentleman described, in a very happy and entertaining manner, his travels by land and water, the various countries visited, the people, their dress and manners; also the productions of various climes, their fruits, flowers, &c.

After the delivery of the lecture some fifty volumes of well-selected books were presented to the reading-room by a class of young men (Bible scholars) in Rev. Dr. HALL'S Sunday-school. Mr. D. E. HAWLEY, the teacher and Treasurer of the Association, received them on behalf of the Trustees of the reading-room, returning thanks for the generous gift. The entertainment was enlivened by some very fine music. Patriotic airs were played, and selections from favorite operas, concluding with "Home, Sweet Home." The chair was taken by Mr. HAWLEY, and surrounding him, on the platform, were a numerous company of ladies and gentlemen. Among the latter we noticed Mr. BROWN, Mr. LORD, Mr. PATON and others.

The Case of Capt. Alexander Again.

The case of Capt. ALEXANDER, alleged some time since to have been relieved of some bonds which betheld at his death, by the GARDNERS of Harlem, will be remembered by the readers of the TIMES. After the acquittal of the GARDNERS, on the charge of being accessory to the Captain's death, they brought suits against Mrs. BURKE, Capt. ALEXANDER'S niece and heir, for false imprisonment. These suits have now been discontinued by consent of the plaintiffs.

Africa for the Africans—Departure of Freedmen for Liberia.

A company of freedmen from Kentucky sailed on Wednesday from this City in the bark *Thomas Pope*, for Liberia in West Africa, under the care of Rev. M. D. HERNDON, for sixteen years a missionary in the Bassa nation. Six hundred freedmen have applied for passage to Liberia on the 1st of November. The largest companies reside in North Carolina, Georgia and Kentucky. The last expedition, containing 194 freedmen, which sailed from Portsmouth, Va., in November last, reached Monrovia, the capital of Liberia, on the 22d of December, without a death and all in good health. Each family receive twenty-five acres of fertile land and provisions free for six months.

Operations of Bogus Jewelers in Jersey City.

Yesterday three alleged dealers in bogus jewelry were brought up for examination in Jersey City on a charge of attempting to swindle a liquor dealer in the Third Precinct. One of the party, LEWIS BRAVER, told the liquor dealer, SCHEIDER, that he had just come from Europe and had $10,000 worth of goods at Castle Garden,

THE NEW CATHEDRAL.

The Meeting at Archbishop McCloskey's —Over $60,000 Subscribed.

As stated yesterday in the TIMES, a large number of prominent Catholic clergymen and laymen assembled at the residence of Archbishop McCLOSKEY, on Madison-avenue, on Thursday evening, to devise measures to raise funds to complete the new cathedral. The meeting was called to order by Rev. Wm. QUINN, and Wm. O'BRIEN was chosen Chairman. Controller CONNOLLY nominated HENRY L. HOGUET and JAMES LYNCH for Secretaries, and EUGENE KELLY nominated JOHN O'BRIEN for Treasurer. The gentlemen were unanimously elected, Mr. O'BRIEN, on taking the chair, briefly stated, in general terms, the object of the meeting, and invited the Archbishop to give them more information in regard to the object of the meeting. He thanked the gentlemen for their promptness, and said the object was to adopt means by which a special fund of $200,000 could be raised for the speedy completion of the new Cathedral of St. Patrick. At the conclusion of his remarks, Controller CONNOLLY proposed the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the sum of $200,000 be raised by special subscriptions and contributions in order more effectually to secure a speedy completion of the new St. Patrick's Cathedral.

Resolved, That the subscription list be now opened, and that Committees be appointed for the purpose of soliciting donations from friends throughout the City.

M. T. BRENNAN moved that a committee of three be appointed by the Chair to furnish names for such committees and to make report before adjournment; the motion was unanimously adopted, and the Chair appointed as such committee Messrs. M. T. BRENNAN, JEREMIAH QUINLAN and JOHN MURPHY, who were instructed to present a list of at least thirty-five gentlemen of which to form the committees. The Chairman then said that nothing remained for them to do but to subscribe, and hoped they would do so liberally. A subscription list was opened and the following gentlemen subscribed:

Matthew Byrne	$6,000	Judge Dowling	$1,000
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J. C. Conroy	1,000	R. B. Connolly, Jr.	250
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The Camden Murder Trial.

The trial of JOSIAH WARD, charged with the killing of JOHN WADEY, at Gloucester City, in May last, was continued yesterday in the Camden County Court. A number of witnesses were examined, but their evidence failed to throw any additional light on the affair, except that of FRANK LIGHTCAP, who testified that on the Friday morning previous to the murder he saw the defendant and a female acquaintance on the Woodbury road, about 200 yards from where WADEY's body was found; witness nodded to him as he passed; the defendant wore a light pair of pantaloons, and was alone; did not notice his hands cut or scratched; saw him next on Monday night in his house, where they arrested him; there was a slight scratch across the fingers of his right hand, which he said he received on Thursday by a cut at the Catharine-street Wharf. Several witnesses testified to having seen WADEY with a roll of bills containing $300 or $400, which he was very fond of showing, but no further testimony affecting the defendant was adduced, and the Court adjourned to this morning.

LAW REPORTS.

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—FEB. 24.

By Judge Cardozo.

Schuster vs. Levy; examination to be continued as to bondsman Miller.

John R. Mahony et al. vs. M. C. Fordham et al.; motion granted.

Edward D. Dougherty vs. Amelia D. Dougherty; motion granted.

Matter of the final accounting of Samuel J. Dennis, executor of James M. Billings; motion denied without costs.

William Grant et al. vs. James Grant et al.; motion granted.

John W. Thorne vs. Charles R. Thorne; motion granted.

Susan W. Harris vs. Margaret E. Guthrie; motion granted.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—FEB. 24.

By Judge Freedman.

Catharine S. Miller vs. John L. Payson; Chas. Hyman vs. Joseph Gaul; Joseph W. Burnham vs. Charles Hartman; order granted.

John McGuir vs. Joseph Ross, case settled, and the Clerk is hereby directed to file and annex the same to the judgment roll.

By Chief-Justice Barbour.

Glenville Woolen Co. vs. Alexander J. Cameron; Same vs. Joseph Ripley; motion denied with costs.

Benjamin F. Ryer vs. Mary I. Dezs, administratrix of Sarah A. Talisfero; order granted.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM—FEB. 24.

By Judge Larremore.

Hill vs. Newburg Woolen Company; motion denied; costs to abide the event of the suit.

By Judge Robinson.

Patterson vs. McKillop; proceedings to punish for contempt dismissed upon defendant undertaking to examination, and on payment of $5 costs.

Wagner vs. Metszer; motion granted.

COURT OF UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

William B. Knox vs. *Phebe S. Lee.*—Error to the Circuit Court for the Western District of Texas.—Prior to the war Mrs. Lee, a resident of Pennsylvania, owned a flock of sheep in Texas, which were under care of the shepherd and agent, one Elliott, who was in charge of them at the rebellion. Under the Sequestration act of the Confederate States of August, 1861, the sheep were seized and confiscated as the property of an alien enemy. At the suit of that government, and at the sale, under the decree, Knox, the plaintiff in error, purchased the flock at $10 87½ each, Confederate money. After the close of the rebellion, in September, 1866, Mrs. Lee and her husband brought this suit against Knox to recover damages for the alleged unlawful taking of the sheep. The Court below instructed the jury that the confiscation and sale conferred no title whatever on Knox, the purchaser, or upon any one knowing the source from which the title was derived, and that whatever amount they might give by their verdict could be discharged by payment in legal-tender notes. Under this instruction the verdict was for the plaintiff, and Knox appeals from the judgment entered thereon, and now claims that the Confederate States were a *de facto* Government, with acknowledged belligerent rights, and being such, having seized, as a means of war, the property in question and confiscated it, the sale under the decree of confiscation, passed a valid title to the purchaser. It is also contended that, under the charge of the Court, the constitutionality of the Legal-tender act is involved in the case, and that question is discussed at some length. The defendant denies that the legal-tender question is in any way involved in the case, or that it can be raised on the record, because it was decided below in favor of the plaintiff in error.

George W. Paschal for the plaintiff in error; John A. Wills for defendant.

This cause was submitted, without argument, at the last term of the Court, and was now orally argued.

COURT OF APPEALS.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 24.—The Court of Appeals has taken a recess till March 15. Case No. 180 was pending at the adjournment.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—FEB. 24.

Before Judge Cardozo.

A VISIONARY REAL ESTATE SPECULATOR—A MAN CHARGED WITH OBTAINING A $15,000 MORTGAGE BY FRAUD.

William R. Harmer vs. *Cyrene C. Waller.*—This was a motion to reduce bail for the defendant, he having been held for about six months past in Ludlow-street Jail on a charge of false pretenses. It is charged by plaintiff that he being the owner of a mortgage for $15,000 on real estate in Philadelphia, the defendant represented himself as the owner of a farm on Long Island worth at least that amount, and on these representations the plaintiff executed an assignment of the mortgage, the defendant promising to give a conveyance of the Long Island farm. Defendant never gave such deed, and it turned out afterward that defendant never had a title to any such farm. Plaintiff thereupon commenced his action to recover the value of his mortgage, and had the defendant held to bail in the sum of $18,000. A motion was made some time since to vacate the order of arrest, which was denied, and the present motion is made to reduce the amount of bail, it being alleged that the defendant is in bad health, and if he remained in prison six months longer he will die. Defendant contends that the mortgage was also worthless.

Judge CARDOZO denied the motion, but advanced the cause on the calendar so as to afford defendant an early trial.

H. W. Johnson for motion; John A. Godfray opposed.

SUPREME COURT—TRIAL TERM—PART II.—FEB. 24.

Before Judge Brady and a Jury.

A DEFAULTING EXECUTRIX.

Lizzie E. Root, Executrix, &c., vs. *Jacob L. Michaels and Robert Davidson.*—The defendants are the bondsmen of Lydia Hansell, as executrix of the estate of John Hansell. On the settlement of the estate the executrix was $1,780 89 in arrears. She subsequently paid $700 of the amount, leaving $1,080 89 for which judgment was recovered against the executrix, and the execution issued thereon was returned unsatisfied. This suit is now, therefore, brought against her bondsmen.

The jury found a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, one of the beneficiaries of the estate, for the full amount claimed, with interests and costs.

Culver & Wright for plaintiff; Thomas Darlington for defendants.

BROOKLYN CITY COURT.

Before Judge Thompson.

A WIFE SUEING TO RECOVER MONEY FROM HER HUSBAND.

Louisa C. Kachler vs. *John G. Kachler.*—The parties to this action are husband and wife, both, however, having been united in the bonds of matrimony once before, the result of which is evident in two flourishing families. The present match was entered into in April, 1867, but before five weeks had passed away, they found it convenient to separate, and since that time they have been living apart. The wife brought action yesterday, to recover $400, which she alleged she lent her husband for the purchase of a soda-water fountain in his drug-store. Defendant admitted the receipt of the money, but claimed that he clothed, fed and physicked plaintiff's children to an extent that quite counterbalanced the debt in question.

The jury, after about an hour's deliberation, rendered a verdict for the plaintiff of $342 50.

Philip Reilly for plaintiff, H. D. Birdsall for defendant.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—FEB. 24.

FIRST BOARD.

$10,000	U. S. 6s, '81, R.	114⅛	
10,000	U. S. 6s, '81, C.	114⅝	
20,000	do.	114⅜	
14,500	U. S. 5-20 C., '62	113⅜	
5,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '64	111⅞	
500	do. bet. cash	111⅛	
500	U. S. 5-20 C., '67, small	110⅝	
50,000	do. bet. cash	110⅝	
3,000	do. do.	110⅝	
3,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '68, small	111⅛	
5,000	U. S. 5s 10-40 C.	111⅛	
5,000	do. bet. cash	111⅛	
10,000	U. S. 6s, Cur.	113⅜	
40,000	do.	b3. 113⅜	
4,000	Tenn. 6s, o.	64⅜	
34,000	Tenn. 6s, n.	64⅜	
15,000	Virginia 6s, n.	63⅝	
2,000	do.	65⅝	
3,000	do.	66	
1,000	Georgia 6s.	83½	
3,000	Ga. 6s, 7s. G. Bs.	92⅝	
5,000	N. Car. St. 6s, n.	27⅛	
2,000	N. C. 6s. Sp. Tax	21⅝	
20,000	S. Car. 6s, n., J. & July	57⅛	
5,000	do.	57⅜	
1,000	Missouri St. 6s.	91	
2,000	do.	91⅛	
5,000	do.	91⅜	
6,000	do.	91⅝	
1,000	La. St. 6s, old	69	
1,000	Erie 1st M.	98⅛	
1,000	do.	99	
200	Cen. Pac. R. G. Bs.	94⅜	
3,000	do.	94⅝	
18,000	do.	95	
20,000	Union Pac. R. 1st	83⅛	
1,000	do.	83⅜	
1,000	Alt. & T. H. Inc.	74⅛	
1,000	do.	75	
1,000	Chi. & N. W. 1st	92	
1,000	do.	92⅛	
2,000	C., R. I. & Pac. 7s	96⅛	
3,000	Mor. & Ess. 1st M.	102⅛	
4,000	Clev. & T. S. F. Bs	99	
4,000	Clev. & Pitts. 4th	89	
5,000	Gt. West. 1st M.	87⅛	
5,000	M. & St. P. 8s, 1st	103⅜	
2,000	C., C. & I. C. 1st	84⅛	
5,000	C., C. & I. C. 2d	61⅛	
4,000	do.	61⅜	
2,000	Tol. & W. 1st M., St. L. Div.	81	
1,000	N. Y. & N. H. 6s	109⅛	
50	Mechanics' Bank	127	
13	American Ex. Bk.	114⅜	
45	Bk of Commerce	119	
300	Canton Co.	74⅜	
800	West. Union Tel.	49⅜	
500	do.	b30. 49⅜	
2240	do.	bet. cash. 49⅜	
30	do.	49⅜	
200	do.	b3d. 49⅜	
300	do.	49⅜	

20	Continental Bk.	94	
50	Del. & H. Canal	118	
900	Pac. Mail S.S. Co., bet. cash	44⅛	
50	Quicksilver	Min.	14
100	do.	14⅛	
100	Quicksilver Pref.	18⅛	
100	do. bet. cash	18	
200	Adams Express	66	
100	Am. M. U. Ex.	45⅛	
100	U. S. Express	46⅝	
100	do.	46⅝	
100	N. Y. C. & H. R. R., '82	95	
500	do.	95⅛	
600	do. bet. cash	95⅛	
800	do.	b3. 95⅛	
200	do.	95⅜	
60,000	N. Y. C. & H. C. 7s, bet. cash	91	
1,100	do. bet. cash	95⅜	
50	Panama R.	70⅜	
200	Clev. & Pitts R.	107⅜	
400	do.	b3. 108	
100	Union Pac. R.	83⅜	
1,200	do.	22⅜	
100	do.	s30. 22¼	
200	do. bet. cash	22⅜	
200	Reading R.	b3. 99	
100	M. Cen. R.	b2. 118	
90	L. S. & M. So. R.	95⅜	
1700	do.	b3. 95⅜	
430	do.	95⅜	
3500	do.	95⅜	
100	do.	s60. 94⅛	
200	do.	bet. cash. 95⅜	
200	Union Pac. R.	22⅜	
300	do.	bet. cash. 22⅜	
200	do.	22⅜	
300	Clev. & Pitts. R.	107⅛	
100	Chi. & N. W. Pref.	86⅜	
200	N. J. Cen. R.	106⅛	
700	C. & R. I. R.	b3. 107⅛	
25	do.	107⅜	
200	Mil. & St. P. R.	52⅜	
200	do.	53	
200	Mil. & St. P. Pref.	74⅜	
100	do.	74⅛	
300	Tol., W. & W.	b3. 54	
100	do.	b60. 54	
100	do.	bet. cash. 53⅜	
200	do.	bet. cash. 53⅜	
50	Del., L. & W. R.	105⅛	
100	do.	105⅜	
25	Ohio & Miss. Pref.	72	
14	Morris & Esser R.	98⅛	
200	do.	89⅜	
60	Chi., R. & Q. R.	154⅜	
14	N. Y. & N. H. R.	238	
14	New-Jersey R.	119	
100	H. & St. Jo. R.	87⅜	
50	H. & St. Jo. R. Pref.	98	
200	do.	97⅜	
100	do. bet. cash.	98	
100	M. & Chi. 1st Pref.	99	
100	Chi. & Alt. R.	113	
300	C., C. & I. C. R.	17⅞	

SECOND BOARD.

$200	U. S. 5-20 R., '62	111⅜	
50,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '62	112⅜	
22,720	U. S. 5-20 C., '64	111⅜	
3,500	U. S. 5-20 C., '65, new	111⅜	
2,000	do.	s2. 110⅜	
195,000	U. S. 5-20 C., '67	110⅝	
4,000	do.	110⅝	
10,000	do.	b3. 110⅞	
20,000	U. S. 5s, 10-40 C.	110⅝	
		s10	110⅝
9,000	Tenn. 6s, n.	64⅜	
10,000	do.	64	
34,000	Tenn. 6s, n.	64⅜	
15,000	Virginia 6s, n.	63⅝	
2,000	do.	63⅝	
1,000	Georgia 6s.	83½	
5,000	N. C. 6s, S. T.	21⅜	
2,000	do.	21⅜	
10,000	S. C. 6s, new, Jan. & July	57½	
5,000	do.	57⅜	
4,000	Mo. 6s.	91⅝	
9,000	do.	91⅜	
23,000	C., C. & I. C. 1st	84⅛	
3,000	C., C. & I. C. 2d	61⅜	
1,000	Un. Pa. R. 1st	82⅛	
10,000	do.	82⅜	
2,000	U. P. 7s, L. G. B.	72	
27,000	Cen. P. R. G. 6s	93	
5,000	M. & St. P. 1st	92	
100	Canton Co.	74⅛	
200	Maripesa Pref.	9⅛	
235	Pac. M. S. Co.	43⅞	
1,200	do.	45⅛	
300	do. bet. cash	45⅛	
1,300	do.	45⅛	
60	West. Union Tel.	49⅜	
200	do. bet. cash	49⅜	
1,200	do.	49⅜	
100	Bost. W. P.	b. c. 26	
100	Adams Ex.	66⅛	
200	do.	66⅜	
60	do.	66⅛	
15	Am. M. U. Ex.	45⅜	

100	Erie Railway	21⅞	
200	United States Ex.	47	
100	do.	47⅛	
800	N. Y. C. & H. R.	95⅜	
100	do. bet. cash.	95⅛	
100	do.	b5. 95⅛	
60,000	N. Y. C. & H. C. bet. cash.	91⅜	
1,200	do.	95⅛	
300	Reading R.	98⅜	
33	do.	99⅛	
100	L. S. & Mich. So.	95⅛	
100	do.	b5. 95⅛	
600	do.	s60. 94⅞	
1,100	do. bet. cash.	95⅜	
50	Panama R.	70⅜	
200	Clev. & Pitts R.	107⅜	
200	do.	b3. 108	
100	Union Pac. R.	83⅜	
100	do.	83⅜	
100	do.	bet. cash. 22⅜	
200	do.	22⅜	
100	Chi. & Rock Is.	107⅜	
100	Mil. & St. Paul.	53	
100	Mil. & St. Paul Pf.	74⅜	
100	Tol., Wa. & West.	53⅞	
60	Del., Lack. & West.	105	
200	do.	105⅛	
12	do.	105⅛	
400	Bost., H. & Erie.	2⅛	
450	Chi. & Alton.	118	
50	Chi. & Alton Pref.	115⅛	
200	Morris & Essex.	89⅛	
100	H. & St. Jos.	b30. 88	
100	do.	87⅞	
300	Albany & Susq.	87⅛	

Ohio 6s, 1881		101⅜	
Ohio 6s, 1886		101⅛	
Ill. Canal bonds, '70		110	
Ill. coup. 7s, '77		100	
Ill. coup. 6s, '79		100	
Ill. War Loan		100	
Ind. 5s, War Loan		100	
Indiana 5s		90⅝	
Michigan 6s, '73		98	
Michigan 6s, '75		98	
Michigan 8s, '88		98⅛	
Michigan 7s, '78		100	
N. Y. Reg. B'ty L'n		107	
N. Y. Coup. B'ty L'n		107⅛	
N. Y. 6s, Canal L.		72.106	
N. Y. 6s, Canal L.		73.106	
N. Y. 6s, Canal L.		74.104⅛	
N. Y. 6s, Canal L.		75.104⅛	
N. Y. 6s, Canal L.		76.104⅛	
N. Y. 5s, Canal L.		74.100	
N. Y. 5s, Canal L.		75.100	
Brooklyn 6s, Wa'r L'n		93⅛	
Brooklyn 7s, Imp. St'k		100	

And the following bids were made for the various Public Funds of the United States:

6 ₱ cent. reg., '81	114⅛	5-20 coup., n. i., '65	110⅜
6 ₱ cent. coup., '81	114⅜	5-20 coup., '67	110⅞
5-20 reg., '62	111⅜	5-20 coup., '68	111⅜
5-20 coup., '62	112⅜	10-40 reg.	108
5-20 coup., '64	111⅞	10-40 coup.	111⅛
5-20 coup., '65	111⅞	6s currency	113⅜

And the following for the State Bonds:

Tenn. 6s, old	64⅜	Ohio 6s, 1881	101⅜
Tenn. 6s, new bonds	64⅜	Ohio 6s, 1886	101⅛
Va. 6s, reg., old	51	Ill. Canal bonds, '70	110
Va. 6s, old coup.	51⅜	Ill. coup. 7s, '77	100
Georgia 6s	83½	Ill. coup. 6s, '79	100
Georgia 7s, new bds	90	Ill. War Loan	100
Georgia 7s, Gold bds	93	Ind. 5s, War Loan	100
N. Car. 6s, old	28⅝	Indiana 5s	90⅝
N. Car. Fdg. Act, '66	38⅝	Michigan 6s, '73	98
N. Car. Fdg. Act, '68	30	Michigan 6s, '75	98
N. Car. new bonds	27⅜	Michigan 8s, '88	98⅛
N. Car. Special Tax	21⅜	Michigan 7s, '78	100
S. Car. Jan. & July	57⅛	N. Y. Reg. B'ty L'n	107
S. Car. April & Oct	58⅜	N. Y. Coup. B'ty L'n	107⅛
Missouri 6s	91⅜	N. Y. 6s, Canal L.	72.106
Mo. 6s, R. & St. Jo. L'n	90⅛	N. Y. 6s, Canal L.	73.106
Louisiana 6s	69	N. Y. 6s, Canal L.	74.104⅛
Louisiana new bonds	61⅛	N. Y. 6s, Canal L.	75.104⅛
Louisiana 8s, Lev. bds	85	N. Y. 6s, Canal L.	77.104⅛
Louisiana 7s, Penit'y	74⅛	N. Y. 6s, Canal L.	78.104⅛
California 7s	103	N. Y. 5s, Canal L.	74.100
Connecticut 6s	101	N. Y. 5s, Canal L.	75.100
Alabama 8s	99	Brooklyn 6s, Wa'r L'n	93⅛
Arkansas 6s, funded	57	Brooklyn 7s, Imp. St'k	100
Ark 7s, L. R. & Ft. S. Ia.	57		

And the following for the Railway Mortgages:

N. Y. Cen. 6s, '83	91⅜	Tol. & Wabash 2d	87
N. Y. Cen. 6s, R. Est.	89⅜	Tol. & W. Equip. 8s	79⅛
N. Y. Cen. 7s, '76	96⅛	Tol. & Wab. Conv. 1.	81
N. Y. Cen. 7s, conv. '76	98	Han. & Naples 1st	81
N. Y. Cen. 7s, '65-'76	98	Gt. Western 1st, '68	101
Erie 1st, Extended	98	Gt. Western 1st, '88	87⅞
Erie 7s, 2d, '79	92	Gt. Western 2d, '93	83
Erie 7s, 3d, '83	92	Quincy & Tol. 1st, '90	83
Erie 7s, 4th, '80	84⅜	Ill. Cen. Iowa 1st	78
Erie 7s, 5th, '85	83	Gal. & Chic. 2d	94
Buf., N. Y. & E. 1st, '77	91	Chic., R. I. & Pac.	98
Buf. N. Y. & E. 2d, '83	70	Morris & Essex 1st	103⅛
Harlem 1st	101⅛	Cleve. & Tol. S. F.	98½
Harlem Con. M. & S. F.	87⅛	N. J. Cen., new bs	100⅛
Alb. & Susq. 1st	96	P., Ft. W. & Chic. 1st	102
Alb. & Susq. 2d	91⅛	P., Ft. W. & Chic. 2d	94⅛
Alb. & Susq. 3d	91⅛	P., Ft. W. & Chic. 3d	94⅛
Mich. Cen. 1st 8s, '82	118	Cl. & Pitts. Con. S. F.	85
Chic., B. & Q. 8 ₱ c.	1st 109⅜	Cl. & Pitts. 2d	100
Mich. So. 7 ₱ c., '75	98⅛	Cl. & Pitts. 3d	100⅜
M. S. & N. I. S. F. 7 ₱ c.	98	Cl. & Pitts. 4th	80
Pac. 7s, guar. by Mo.	98	Chic. & Alton Inc.	95
Cen. Pacific Bonds	95⅛	Chic. & Miss. 1st	98
Union Pac. 1st	83⅜	Chic. & Miss. Consol.	87
Union Pac. Inc.	45⅛	Peninsula 1st	94½
Union Pac. Inc. 10s	73	Peninsula R. Bs	90
Ill. Cen. 7 ₱ ct., '75	106	St. Louis & I. M. 1st	89⅛
Alton & T. H. 1st	95	Mil. & St. P. 1st, 8s	103⅛
Alt. & T. H. 2d	84⅜	Mil. & St. P. 1st, 7 3-10	93
Alt. & T. H. 2d Inc.	74⅛	Mil. & St. P. 1st	92⅛
Chic. & N. W. S. F.	95⅛	Mil. & St. P. L. & M. Div	87⅛
Chic. & N. W. Int. Bs	93	Mil. & St. P. 2d	87
Chic. & N. W. Ex. Bs	86	Chic. & Mil. 1st	102
Chic. & N. W. 1st	108	Col., Chic. & Ind. C.	108
C. & N. W. c. ₱ c.	on 86⅜	Col., Chic. & Ind. 1st	84⅜
Han. & St. Jo. conv.	105⅛	Col., Chic. & Ind. 2d	61⅛
Lack. & Western	100	Col., Pea. & War., W. D.	82
Del., Lack. & W. 1st	105⅛	Pea. & War. 2d	68
Tol. & Wab. 1st Ext.	92	N. Y. & N. H. 6s	109
Tol. & W. 1st St. L. div.	80⅛		

And the following for the City Bank Stocks and Miscellaneous Shares:

New-York	134	New-York County	200
Manhattan	154	Importers' & Traders'	160
Merchants'	113⅛	Park	153½
Mechanics'	137	Manuf. & Merchants'	99½
City	225	Central National	102⅛
Phenix	108	Fourth National	107⅜
North River	85	Ninth National	110
Mechanics' & Traders'	138	Tenth National	118
Merchants' Exchange	102	Gold Exchange	70
Leather Manufact'rs'	200	Pacific Bank	118
State of New-York	112⅛	Pennsylvania Coal	230
Commerce	118⅛	American Coal	38
Mechanics' B'k'g Ass.	115	Spring Mountain Coal	35
Broadway	290	Canton Co., Baltimore	74
Ocean	93	Cons. Coal of Mary'd.	29
Mercantile	124	Cumb. Coal and Iron	30
American Exchange	114⅛	Western Union Tel.	49⅜
Chatham	166	Quicksilver Min. Co.	13⅝
Bk. of North America	100	Quicksilver M. Co. Pf.	18⅛
Hanover	101	Mariposa Min. Co.	5⅜
Irving	113	Mariposa Min. Co. Pf.	9
Metropolitan	130	Adams Express	65⅞
Grocers'	116	Wells-Fargo Express	39
East River	112	Wells-Fargo Ex. Scrip	1⅜
Nassau	108	Am. Mer. Union Ex.	45⅝
Corn Exchange	107	United States Ex.	46⅛
Continental	94	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	44⅜
Commonwealth	90		

FRIDAY, Feb. 24—P. M.

The peace reports, which reached the Street late in the afternoon, did not seem to take the Gold or stock operators by surprise, yet they elicited a very general expression of satisfaction and congratulation, and served to strengthen confidence in the immediate future of financial values. A further advance in prices was made on the increasing volume of business in the Public Funds, which closed strong and buoyant, with the 1867 five-twenties quoted at 110¾@111. The investment purchases were quite free, encouraged by the prevailing ease in Money, which continued abundant on call at 3@5 ₱ cent., as the extremes, and without notable change in the discount line. State Bonds were moderately dealt in, at about steady figures. The Railway Mortgages were in better request, particularly the Gold-bearing Sixes of the Pacific Roads, which were benefited by the reported decision of the Senate Judiciary Committee, to the effect that the Government is only entitled to withhold 50 ₱ cent. of public freight transportation charges, and 5 ₱ cent. of the net earnings as against the interest account. The Central Pacifics closed at 95½ bid, with limited offerings of the bonds, which were further strengthened by the report that they had been formally admitted yesterday to the regular list of the London Stock Exchange, as they had been some weeks ago to the Amsterdam, and months since to the Frankfort Bourses. Union Pacific Sixes closed at 83¼@83½. The Railway and Miscellaneous Share speculation has shown a moderate degree of activity, with a generally firm and buoyant temper in the dealings. Lake Shore and Wabash Stocks continued the features of the Railway list, as did also the Western Union Telegraph in the Miscellaneous line, the latter closing strong at 50½, the highest point yet reached on the upward movement. The transactions in this favorite were less free than on Thursday. The general market wound up steadily on the basis of our quotations.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS—FEB. 24.

	Thursday.	Friday.
United States 10-40s	111⅛	111⅜
United States 5-20s of 1862	112¼	112¼
United States 5-20s of 1867	110¾	110¾
American Gold	111⅛	111⅜

The Gold speculation has been on a somewhat firmer basis through the afternoon, though not active. The range of the price has been from 111¼@111½, closing with buyers at 111⅜. While the prevalent view of the reported conditions of peace as between the belligerents in Europe was favorable to the moderation and generosity of the victorious Germans, some apprehension was expressed of probable difficulty on the part of France in adjusting and meeting the indemnity issue, and of a possible heavy outflow of specie from this side, which would lead to renewed inflation in the Gold Room. In the foreign trade circles, however, these fears met with little consideration, and Exchange on London closed tamely and barely steady at 109½@109⅝ for prime 60-day drafts. The Gold Exchange Bank clearances were $21,993,000. The specie engagements for to-morrow's steamers were only some $200,000, up to a late hour this evening. The Treasury Office commenced disbursing today the March interest on the Tenforty Loan, the aggregate of which is under five millions. The Coin balance of the Office, at the close of business, was $65,512,229. The Customs today yielded $886,000, making an aggregate of $3,054,000 thus far this week.

UNITED STATES TREASURY, }
NEW-YORK, Feb. 24. }

Gold receipts	$1,014,628 80
Gold payments	1,047,567 89
Gold balance	65,512,229 01
Currency receipts	1,382,442 29
Currency payments	692,198 33
Currency balance	7,949,581 26
Customs	886,000 00

The Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad declared, on the 22d inst., a *Five ₱ cent.* Dividend, payable March 15, free of tax.

Washington advices make the yield of the Excises thus far in the current fiscal year $100,278,251, against $109,194,391 same time in 1869-70.

The City Bank Exchanges, today, were $84,227,756, and the resulting balances, $3,814,137.

The currency balances of the Sub-Treasury, this evening, are $7,949,581.

The new Board of Directors of the Quicksilver Mining Company have chosen Mr. JAMES S. THAYER, President; Mr. GEORGE W. BUTTS, Vice-President, and Mr. EUGENE KELLY, Treasurer.

The General Freight Agent of the Central Pacific Railroad, Mr. C. W. SMITH, has prepared the following exhibit of the through freight sent East in December from San Francisco, San Jose, Stockton, Sacramento and Marysville:

	Lbs.		Lbs.
Wine	239,907	Whale-bone	149,764
Fruit	20,492	Wheat	19,897
Tea	586,144

The New-York Times.

NEW-YORK, SATURDAY, FEB. 25, 1871.

Amusements This Afternoon and Evening.

WALLACK'S THEATRE. Broadway, corner 13th-st. THE POOR GENTLEMAN. Characters by Messrs. John Gilbert, Fisher, Ringgold, Mrs. Barry, Miss Mestayer, and others. MATINEE at 1½ o'clock—HOME and BLUE DEVILS.

BOOTH'S THEATRE. 6th-av., corner 23d-st. KING JAMES V. Leading characters by Messrs. Barrett and Anderson and Miss Pateman. MATINEE at 1½ o'clock—RICHELIEU.

FIFTH-AVENUE THEATRE. 24th-st., near Broadway. SARATOGA. Leading characters by Messrs. Harkins, Lewis, Davidge, Miss Fanny Davenport and Miss Fanny Morant. MATINEE at 1½ o'clock.

OLYMPIC THEATRE. Broadway, near Houston-st. G. L. RICHELIEU, (Burlesque.) Leading characters by Mr. G. L. Fox and Misses Ada Harland and Lillie Eldridge. MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

NIBLO'S GARDEN. Broadway, near Prince-st. THE BLACK CROOK. Leading characters by Messrs. Morton, Rogers, Hamilton, and Miss Pauline Markham. MATINEE at 1½ o'clock.

FOURTEENTH-STREET THEATRE. 14th-st., near 6th-av. THE LADY OF LYONS. Leading characters by Mr. Barton Hill and Mrs. Emma Clymar. MATINEE at 2 o'clock—FANCHON.

LINA EDWIN'S THEATRE. Broadway, near Washington-place. HUNTED DOWN. Leading character by Miss Laura Keene. MATINEE at 2 o'clock.

WOOD'S MUSEUM. Broadway, corner 30th-st. DRAMATIC PERFORMANCE. Afternoon and evening. Large collection of curiosities on exhibition.

NEW-YORK CIRCUS. 14th-st., between 2d and 3d avs. GRAND EQUESTRIAN and GYMNASTIC PERFORMANCES. MATINEE at 2½ o'clock.

STADT THEATRE. Bowery, near Canal-st. TEARS AND LAUGHTER. Leading character by Mme. Scebach.

ASSOCIATION HALL. 23d-st., corner 4th-av. DRAMATIC AND OTHER READINGS. By Geo. Vandenhoff. MATINEE at 3 o'clock—CONCERT. Artists: Miss Maria Brainard, Miss Antoinette Sterling, Messrs. Wehli, Remmerts, and Chorus by the Euterpe Society.

STEINWAY HALL. 14th-st., near 4th-av. LECTURE BY REV. DR. WISE. Subject—"The Apostle Paul." MATINEE at 2 o'clock. PIANO-FORTE RECITAL.

LYRIC HALL. 6th-av., near 46th-st. MATINEE at 3 o'clock—GRAND CONCERT. Artists: Miss Peraheam, the Hess Children, and others.

UNION LEAGUE HALL. Madison-av., corner 23d-st. MATINEE at 3 o'clock—PIANO-FORTE RECITAL.

PLYMOUTH CHURCH, BROOKLYN. Orange-st., near Hicks-st. AFTERNOON, at 4 o'clock—ORGAN CONCERT.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

FRANCE AND GERMANY.

A Bordeaux telegram says nothing is known there regarding the conditions of peace, and nothing will be known until they are fully decided on. Moreover, the dispatches from Bordeaux to Lille warn the public against false reports as to the terms of peace. The Berlin *Orose Gazette* says the dispatches in the Belgian papers purporting to give the conditions are altogether incorrect. A London dispatch says a prominent German banker has gone to Paris with Count HERKEL to discuss the financial features of the conditions with M. THIERS. The evening edition of the London *Times* of yesterday contained a dispatch setting forth that Count VON BISMARCK had doubts of the conclusion of peace; that France, too, had asked for a prolongation of the armistice; that hostilities would be resumed on the 26th at midnight, and that the guns of the Paris batteries had been turned upon the city. A dispatch to the London *Telegraph* of the 23d stated that all the conditions except the money question had been agreed upon. The "Court of Rome" has recognized the new Government of France.

GENERAL EUROPEAN NEWS.

In the British House of Commons, last night, Mr. DISRAELI attacked the foreign policy of the Government, particularly with reference to the Eastern question. Mr. GLADSTONE replied, denouncing Mr. DISRAELI'S course at this time as mad, and asserting that the Conference would bear Russia's case in all fairness. Lord LISGAR, now Governor-General of Canada, has been appointed Lord-Lieutenant of the County of Cavan, Ireland....A crowded meeting in favor of church disestablishment was held in London on Thursday night.....A Brazilian loan of £3,000,000 sterling has been introduced in the London market.... Lieut.-Gen. SHERIDAN is on the way to Bordeaux from Marseilles....The death of Mlle. SCHNEIDER is denied.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, the Committee on the Pacific Railroad presented a report recommending that the Government transport all freights overland, instead of via Panama, and retain fifty per cent., thereby providing for the semi-annual interest; and a majority of the Judiciary Committee reported averse to the opinion of the Attorney-General, claiming that under the provisions of existing laws Government has no right to retain more than fifty per cent. of the amount of the transportation over the road. The Judiciary Committee also reported favorably the bill repealing the test oath. The House bill to guard the purity of elections was taken up early in the session, and was made the subject of a long and tedious debate, which was principally carried on by the Democrats, whose intention was to talk against time and thus defeat it.

The House was occupied with the "Omnibus Appropriation bill" the greater portion of the day. Twenty of the fifty-five pages of the bill were disposed of. The bill appropriates $33,583,992. Mr. HALDEMAN, of Pennsylvania, moved an amendment, increasing the appropriation to meet the expenses of the Joint High Commission on the differences with England, for the sole purpose, as he said, of getting an opportunity to speak on the question. He then addressed the House in favor of the annexation of the British-American colonies, and of the declaration of the High Commission of the right of the people of these colonies to withdraw from England and join this country if they like. At the conclusion of his speech he withdrew his amendment. The item of $5,000 due to VINNIE REAM for her statue of LINCOLN, was changed to $10,000, making the total amount $15,000. Several unsuccessful efforts were made to bring about the reduction of the duty on coal. The House adjourned at 5¾ o'clock.

GENERAL.

During a gale at Cleveland, Ohio, yesterday, the gable of a school-house was blown down and a panic created among the children. Two were injured, but none were killed. Other accidents were caused during the day by the high winds.

The coal operators of the Schuylkill region held another meeting in Philadelphia yesterday and adopted an address to the public, setting forth that the systematic misrepresentations of the Working Men's Benevolent Association have made it necessary for them to publish what they call "the facts of the matter," and "the causes which have led them finally to determine on being masters of their own property." This address contains the results of the conferences with the miners and the various agreements entered into after the strike of April, 1870.

One more juror was obtained in the Filkins case yesterday in Albany, making six in all thus far secured.

A dispatch from Magnolia, Miss., says that Hon. JOHN N. CONYNGHAM, of Wilkesbarre, Penn., was run over and killed at that place recently by a railroad train. Judge CONYNGHAM was on his way to Texas to bring home an invalid son. The deceased was the father-in-law of Right Rev. Bishop STEVENS, of Pennsylvania.

Ten of the Fenian exiles, among them Gen. BURKE, Dr. POWER and Capt. JOHN MCCLURE, now visiting Baltimore, were formally received by both branches of the City Council on Thursday evening. The Council gave them a banquet yesterday afternoon at Barnum's Hotel.

Miss HANNAH LYMAN, Principal of Vassar College, died at the College on the 21st, aged fifty-five years.

The "throat and foot" disease among cattle, which has prevailed to a considerable extent at various places down the river, has made its appearance in Troy.

An Eastport, Me., dispatch says the revenue cutter *Vigilant*, Capt. FREEMAN, seized on Thursday the British schooner *Martha Ann* for violating the Coasting laws.

The Best Government in the World in Trouble.

It must, we think, be generally admitted that affairs have not being going on well of late for our estimable friends, TWEED and SWEENY. Very few people in this changeful world are lucky enough to enjoy an unbroken career of prosperity, and fortune seems very much inclined to turn the cold shoulder on the Tweedites, big and little. Their best laid schemes are going all "agley." There was a time when we should have rejoiced at this, but the goodly row of certificates to good character which TWEED and his friends have received from many worthy citizens, is calculated to unsettle things. Undoubtedly it does seem to the ordinary eye rather unfortunate that half a dozen men should have acquired unchecked control over State and City affairs, and that they should hold the greater part of our judicial and legislative machinery under their own private lock and key. No one could suppose, at first sight, that this could be a good arrangement for the public. But the millionaires, and the Citizens' Association, assure us that appearances are deceptive, and that more honest, disinterested, public-spirited men never breathed than TWEED & Co. It is of no use to say that the evidence of people's own senses is sufficient to disprove this testimony. Any man who could have the audacity to contradict a millionaire ought to be burned alive at the stake, and as for suspecting the good faith of the Citizens' Association, it is almost as bad as that mysterious crime which old-fashioned people call "flying in the face of Providence." We may, therefore, be quite sure that *our* "people's WILLIAM" planned the Broadway and Croton water jobs solely for our good.

But see now how perverse is fate. There was that Broadway extension scheme, warranted to put an odd million or two into the pockets of TWEED the First and his adherents. Everything was very nicely planned. Property-owners were to have so much by way of compensation; and our best benefactor, SWEENY, the man "around the corner," was to share the remainder with his friends. Every precaution had been taken against the cat jumping out of the bag. A middleman had been appointed to receive and divide the "swag." But instead of remaing quietly at home, what must this middleman do but go out sleigh-riding, and of course as luck would have it he broke his neck. Through that piece of stupidity the bottom fell out of the tub. Everything had to be done over again. Of course the affair can be easily arranged, for TWEED is always sure of the Legislature—there are Republicans there ready to sell their souls to him, if TWEED had any use for that article. But still it is always a nuisance to have to do one's work over twice. And this case was especially annoying, because the public are rather on the watch for TWEED'S rogueries, and this one was on so vast a scale that it is almost enough to shake our confidence even in the millionaires.

Out of the bill for supplying the City with "pure and wholesome water," Mr. TWEED and his cronies are to make at least $500,000. Of this, whether the people like it or not, there is not the shadow of a doubt. We have rather understated than exaggerated the sum. But then, says a Democratic paper, "surely it is better that one man should steal than thirty." Here you have the theory of modern government in a nutshell. The question whether it is not possible to find rulers who will not steal at all is no longer thought worthy of discussion. TWEED and SWEENY justify themselves to their party by declaring that they are stealing just now in order to put aside funds for the next Presidential election. Much will depend upon the South in that contest, and if a stream of gold can be turned on from Tammany in that quarter, it is thought that HOFFMAN can be elected without the least difficulty. While the Republicans are disputing with each other, the Democrats will walk in and carry off the oyster. That is the idea—but of course it is liable to accident. The Broadway extension swindle looked all safe enough, but there was one contingency against which the dark complexioned gentleman round the corner, by the name of SWEENY, had not provided. And so it may be with the greater *coup* now meditated. A few more exposures of organized robbery, and the people may at last come to the conclusion that they have about had enough of TWEED & Co., and that it might be well to try another firm just by way of a change. Mr. MOSES TAYLOR and those who think with him cannot explain away such ugly facts as the Broadway and Croton water schemes. There they are, conspicuous instances of treachery and roguery, open for all men to see who have eyes and will use them, instead of peering through the spectacles of millionaires. The temper of the public is now such that it will be dangerous to presume upon it too far. While honest merchants and traders find it more and more difficult to keep their positions, TWEED and SWEENY and all their gang are constantly adding to their fortunes, and laughing in their sleeves. They have paralyzed the legitimate speculations of Wall-street, driven capital and enterprise out of the City, and even taken away the ordinary means of protecting property against spoliation. These are specific accusations, not vague assertions, and each one of them can be proved. The public begin to realize the true state of the case, and one of these days they will show that they know how to deal with it.

The Terms of Peace.

At last we have facts which are definite, and which appear to be trustworthy, with reference to the German terms of peace. We estimated five hundred millions of dollars as the extreme limit of the sum which France would be able to pay. Germany has justified the claim to "comparative moderation" recently put forward in regard to her pecuniary demands, by settling for less than half that amount, or a little over a tenth part of the preposterous sum which was first reported. The report as to the neutralization of Alsace and Lorraine turns out to have been without foundation. BISMARCK has yielded to the popular feeling of Germany, and to the strategic considerations insisted upon by the military leaders, by adhering to his demand for the annexation of the ancient fiefs of the German Empire.

To realize adequately the position in which the terms of peace just signed will leave France, it is necessary to go somewhat into detail. Estimating the Prussian thaler at its gold value of sixty-eight cents, the three hundred and twenty millions which have to be paid represent a sum of $217,600,000 in gold, and a probable addition to the annual taxation of France of fifteen millions of dollars. At the end of the year 1869, the entire capital of the public debt of France was about two thousand five hundred millions of dollars, on which the annual interest amounted to some eighty millions. To this must be added the war loan of one hundred and fifty millions of dollars contracted by the Empire in August, 1870, and the further amount of fifty millions contracted by the Provisional Government in October, involving an annual charge of not less than twelve millions of dollars. In round numbers, therefore, the war will be found to have added about five hundred millions of dollars to the national debt of France, and at least twenty-seven millions to its annual burdens. Assuming the approximate correctness of these figures, the new Government of France has to face a national debt of three thousand millions of dollars, corresponding pretty closely to our own in 1866, and in order to pay the interest due to its creditors it must raise not less than one hundred and seven millions per annum.

Without proceeding to discuss the effect of this upon the diminished resources and shattered energies of France, it may be well to understand precisely what is meant by the cession of Alsace and Lorraine. Further details are required to show whether these two provinces are to be transferred in their geographical entirety. As regards Alsace, this is tolerably certain; so far as Lorraine is concerned it is open to doubt. The Germans have already distributed these two provinces into what they call "general governments." That of Alsace includes the departments of Bas-Rhin and Haut-Rhin, a portion of the Departments of Moselle and Meurthe, and the *arrondissements* of Metz, Thionville, Sarreguemines, Chateau Salins and Sarrebourg. These comprise a territory of about six thousand square miles and probably contain at present 1,800,000 inhabitants. The general government of Lorraine includes the departments of the Meuse and Vosges, a portion of Moselle and Meurthe and the *arrondissements* of Briey, Nancy, Luneville and Toul. Its superficial area is about seven thousand square miles, and its population will reach about 1,200,000. Between them, the ceded provinces in their full extent contain thirteen thousand square miles, and three millions of inhabitants. In Alsace the language of at least three-fourths of the population is essentially German; in Lorraine it is almost exclusively French. About seven-eighths of the population are Roman Catholic, the remainder being Lutherans, Reformers, or Jews.

The German concession on the subject of entering Paris is generous and well-timed, and will have the effect of sparing France a wound which would have been almost as keenly resented as the loss of her eastern provinces. The comparative moderation of the pecuniary mulct may be still further modified by the requisitions that have been made, otherwise than as indemnities, being taken as part payment. On this, as on other qualifying articles of the treaty, further information must be awaited. Whether a moderate Republican or Orleanist Government be eventually selected to rule France, its task will be a highly difficult one. A financial policy of the most enlightened kind will be the first requisite demanded of it. Unfortunately, neither the French agriculturists nor the manufacturing population are capable of appreciating the method of distributing taxation most likely to conduce to the rapid revival of the resources of the country. Then, the extreme Republicans will not fail to make the question of the ceded provinces an excuse for perpetual agitation. The thorough hopelessness of ever regaining them, while Germany remains entrenched at Metz, Nancy and Strasbourg, will only furnish fresh arguments in favor of revenge to the party of desperation. The Government in power will only subsist in virtue of the nation's choice, and should it be an elective monarchy, it will be so much the weaker from the character of individual responsibility it will assume, and the opportunities it will challenge of a combined Republican opposition. Still, amid all the obvious difficulties and dangers that await France in the future, it may not be too much to hope that she has learned in the harsh school of adversity not to mistake torpid content for true strength, and that she will forever discard military glory as the chief end of national existence. In this case, the present generation will assuredly see the losses of a destructive war more than repaired, and a nation more truly great added to the commonwealth of Europe than that whose downfall began with the fatal days of August, 1870.

The Burdens and Inequalities of Taxation in New-York.

One of the few acts of Gov. HOFFMAN'S administration of this State which will be remembered to his honor, was his appointment of Mr. D. A. WELLS as one of the TAX Commissioners of the State. Mr. WELLS is unquestionably, at this time, the first American practical economist, and he is known to the students of political economy in all countries for the thoroughness, candor, and precision of his investigations into American financial problems. The appointment of such a man, though belonging to the party opposed to the Governor, and a citizen of another State, is creditable to Mr. HOFFMAN'S intelligence.

No more complicated and difficult problem in practical finance could have been presented to Mr. WELLS than the condition of taxation in New-York State. The rates alone of taxation in some portions of the State, the escape of personal property, the undervaluation of real estate, the heavy taxation of mortgages, and the burdens thrown on manufacture and production, were all evils which were eating out the life and vigor of the State, and putting it behind its sister States in the advance of wealth and population. Thus, in this City, the rate of taxation is $29 54 per head; in Brooklyn, $19 02; in Albany, $20 12, and in Troy $18, while in London it is only $5 85. Our State taxation is $17 55, while Vermont pays only $5 29, and England and Wales, which are supposed to be so heavily burdened, pay for local taxation only $3 89. With these heavy rates, the mode of assessment in New-York is extremely burdensome. In seven years, from 1862 to 1869, our assessed valuation of property increased throughout the State only 30.3 per cent., while the taxation increased 140 per cent. The States in proximity to ours adopted more equal systems of taxation, and withdrew from New-York both wealth and population. Thus, New-Jersey, in many counties, exempted mortgages from taxation, and in Pennsylvania, personal property was freed mainly from burdens, as well as mortgages and judgments. In the latter State, the least possible burdens are placed both on capital and production.

The result is that Pennsylvania, starting in 1860 with a population of 2,906,215, has gained 619,778 in population, while New-York, starting with 3,880,735, has gained only 483,640; and New-York City, with a population of 927,000, built in 1869 and '70 only 4,537 houses, while Philadelphia, with 657,000 inhabitants, put up or proposed to build over ten thousand buildings. The valuations of New-York real estate, it is well understood, are far below its real value, generally only one-fifth part of it, and at the utmost only one-half. The valuations of personal property are still more defective. Thus, in Brooklyn, the proportion of personal to real property is returned as 1 to 10.46, in Rochester 1 to 6.47, in Buffalo 1 to 4.58; yet, on general principles, we may judge that the two are almost equal. In Boston, the proportion is only 1 to 1.67, and in Providence 1 to 1.20. The personal property of New-York would give for taxation, $90 13 per capita; of Massachusetts, $345 19. Mr. WELLS estimates that there are *five thousand millions* of productive property in the State; the real amount taxed is only $434,270,278.

The taxation of mortgages, again, acts most unfortunately on portions of the State. Thus, the holder of a mortgage in New-York City, if the law is observed strictly, cannot receive more than 4 7-10 interest; in Brooklyn, only 3 1-10; in Albany, 2 4-10, and in Rochester but three-tenths of one per cent. Indeed, in former years the rate of taxation in the latter city was more than the interest on the mortgages. The natural effect, of course, is that capital finds its way to other channels, and all that large class who have constant need to borrow on their lands, for purposes of improvements, are cut off from this resource—greatly to the detriment of the whole community. On the other hand, our neighboring States, which do not throw this burden on mortgages, attract capital to be used in the improvements of land, and are constantly developing their internal resources and population.

Another of the methods in this State for escaping taxation, and thus increasing the burden where it does not belong, is in allowing indebtedness to offset the amount of tangible property.

"Thus, for example, an individual desiring to evade taxation on capital invested in general, mercantile or speculative business, first purchases United States bonds, we may suppose, to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars. He then borrows on his promissory note, using the bonds as collateral, one hundred thousand dollars, or some smaller sum, and invests the money so obtained in the business in question. When the day of assessment comes round, a return is made, under oath, if need be, of one hundred thousand dollars business capital; one hundred thousand dollars just debts and liabilities; no personal property subject to taxation. If inquiry is made further respecting the United States bonds purchased, the answer is made legitimately, that in respect to these the State authorities have no jurisdiction."

The practical effect of all this inequality and burden of taxation in New-York State, is that the material progress and growth in population of our great State are impeded. It is well known that so heavy is local taxation in this City, as well as the burdens of the tariff, that no steam-ship company, starting a line of steamers for Liverpool, for instance, could compete for a month with rival British or French lines. The local taxation of the British port is a mere trifle—say ten per cent. of the rental value of the premises occupied—while here it is 2.27 per cent. on the whole accessible value of the Company's property.

We cannot today discuss the remedies for these evils, but it is manifest that if remedies are not found, and found speedily, the prosperity of the State will gradually decay, and this great emporium become as Antwerp is now—a place of palaces and warehouses for wealth which has passed away, and of rookeries and tenements for poverty which has remained.

A New Empire of Utopia.

Mr. CHARLES ENDERBY, F. R. S., is a benefactor of his species. He has hit upon a most charming plan for settling international difficulties. The originality of his scheme amounts almost to positive genius, and it is as direct and intelligible as it is novel. Mr. G. F. TRAIN'S Presidential schemes are nothing to it. The art of MACHIAVELLI is completely surpassed by it. In fact, Mr. ENDERBY has snatched a grace altogether beyond the reach of art.

Let us hasten to make known Mr. ENDERBY'S masterly achievement. He has printed in London what he calls *A Proposition from England to America: How to Arrange, Settle and Avoid Disputes between the Two Nations.* This is promising enough at the very threshold. When we get beyond, however, we are struck with amazement at the happy audacity of Mr. ENDERBY'S idea. His proposal, made with a seriousness quite irresistible, is that the two countries should again become one. He suggests that the Prince of WALES should be proclaimed King of the United States, and, on the death of Queen VICTORIA, that he shall be invested with the sovereignty of both countries. He proposes that an hereditary peerage should be established in America—so that what may long have been a day-dream of TWEED, SWEENY, FISK and their fellows, would thus be realized. The Parliament or Congress of both countries, Mr. ENDERBY considers, should meet at the same time, and measures affecting the general interests of both be simultaneously debated, results being promptly intercommunicated by telegraph. Now is the time, urges our political sage, to carry this into effect. There are at this moment many points of contact and similarity favoring consolidation which will become divergent and unlike hereafter. For example, the population of the two countries is now about the same; the interest on their respective debts is about the same; their language is the same, and their laws are based on the same foundations. America, in the adoption of this lovely scheme, would receive an equal interest in all England's outlying possessions, and would have an equal voice in the appointments to places of trust throughout the Empire. TWEED might thus, for example, become a Warden of the Cinque Ports; SWEENY, Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland; and FISK, Master of the Horse, or First Gentleman of the Bed-chamber. This country, on the other hand, would be expected to assent to a modification in its machinery of government—a mere trifle and matter of form—while trade would be greatly benefited by the outlay incident to a Court, and the working-classes would profit by the more equal distribution of wealth consequent upon the creation of a peerage.

Mr. ENDERBY, among other strong prejudices, dislikes the accumulation of large fortunes, a tendency which he thinks strongly marked and threatening in America, but which he believes that titles would prevent from being overdone. A nobleman, he argues, cannot continue sordidly to heap up money in trade or speculation. Would not Mr. A. T. STEWART, he asks, be sure to retire on his already splendid income were he created Duke of Massachusetts? And would not Mr. VANDERBILT be content to relinquish active work were he made, let us say, Lord Harlem and Buffalo? Perhaps even Mr. ENDERBY, should he be created Marquis of Bedlam, would omit to write any more political pamphlets; and thus other impatient aspirants for cash or intellectual distinction would have a road left open to them beautifully illumined by the light of illustrious examples. It is a pleasure to point out at least one recommendation for Mr. ENDERBY'S marvelous project, to which even the most captious of critics cannot reasonably object.

The Government Contract With the Pacific Railroads.

The Senate Judiciary Committee, through Mr. CARPENTER, yesterday reported adversely to the view presented by Mr. BOUTWELL and supported by Attorney-General AKERMAN, in regard to the payment of interest by the Pacific Railroad Companies on the Government loan. Mr. BOUTWELL, it may be remembered, insisted not only that the Government may retain the whole compensation for services performed by the railroads, and apply the same to the payment of the bonds and interest, but also that the companies are bound to reimburse the Government semi-annually on the interest account, if the compensation for service is insufficient. Mr. AKERMAN furnished an opinion favorable to this demand, admitting, indeed, that the law upon the subject is not free from doubt, but contending that wherever doubt exists the Government is entitled to the benefit of it. The companies, on the other hand, maintained that the uniform practice of Mr. BOUTWELL'S predecessors and the plain provisions of the law are on their side. The act of 1864, as amended in 1864, provides that only one-half of the compensation for services performed by the companies is to be retained by the Treasury; and until very recently, no controversy on the subject was ever raised. The debates in both Houses during the progress of the measure were relied upon as proof that this construction was at the time universally accepted—that the law was, in fact, a contract, by which in consideration of certain services the Government agreed to certain terms, this in respect of interest being of the number. Published arguments of Judge CURTIS and Ex-Attorney-General HOAR harmonized with the statements of the companies, the equity of whose claim has been further supported in an ingenious argument from the pen of Mr. EDWARD ATKINSON.

The report of the Judiciary Committee is favorable to the companies. It affirms the liability of the Government to pay for one-half of their services in money, the other half to be applied on the bonds, and declares that the companies, while bound to perform the Government service when required, are not under any legal obligation to repay the interest, except as it may be repaid by the one-half of the compensation money, until the maturity of the bonds. It is not for us to dispute the conclusions of a Committee which embraces the highest character and the best legal ability of the Senate. The points in dispute are points of law, and we have never echoed the clamor that would decide the interpretation of a statute, and the obligations of a contract, by an appeal to popular prejudice rather than by the terms of the law itself. There is a growing disposition to regard great corporations with jealousy, but, after all, the country will not be inclined to repudiate a bargain, even though its conditions are not exactly what might be agreed upon if they were to be determined anew.

MINOR TOPICS.

There is more and more probability of the Erie Directors' bill being repealed by the Legislature. The Democrats do not want to go into the Presidential race so heavily handicapped as they are at this moment. Therefore, JAMES FISK, Jr., notwithstanding that he boasts of controlling 25,000 votes, is to be thrown overboard. He may well ask what is the use of being virtuous if a man is to be dealt with in this way! He has been scraping himself with potsherds, and has even appeared in public in a penitential sheet, and yet he is to be forsaken by his Democratic friends. Perhaps, however, his old tactics at Albany may pull him through. FISK knows how to bribe as well as TWEED, and probably the Republicans who voted for the Croton bill will not be above making acquaintance with the color of his money.

The coal operators have in their lengthy manifesto, made out a case which is plausible enough, but which is hardly likely to be conclusive to the public. The majority of people will be disposed to remember that the disputes between miners and operators have an awkward habit of occurring at the highly inconvenient season of mid-Winter, when a short supply of coal necessarily produces prices which enrich the monopolists at the expense of the consumers and at the cost of much hardship among the poor of our cities. It is all very well to reiterate that "the working men are determined that coal shall not go below $3 at Port Carbon," while the disinterested operators "claim and insist upon the advantage of the increased consumption derived from low prices and which shall be regulated purely by supply and demand." Since the operators invite the operation of economic rules, why does Congress hesitate to give us free coal, and so afford the only lasting guarantee against the perpetual recurrence of these costly and pernicious disputes between the workmen and the operators? A correspondent suggests that the Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations should "move or permit a motion to amend the title of one of his bills, so as to render a motion to repeal the duty on coal in order." One way or other the difficulty ought to be met, and that speedily. Public sentiment is excited upon it in no common degree, and is little disposed to tolerate the interposition of imaginary obstacles to a step of the most pressing necessity.

Two wills have recently been admitted to probate in London. One was the will of Mr. BRASSEY, a famous railroad contractor. "His personalty alone, exclusive of his vast landed estates, amounted to six and a half millions." The other will was that of Mr. MARK LEMON, late editor of *Punch*. He left behind him the sum of £800, all told. From this the rising generation may see that it is better to be a railroad contractor than a "literary gentleman."

The figures given by Mr. DELMAR, late Director of the Bureau of Statistics at Washington, in his lecture before the Liberal Club, will be read with much interest. Apart from their special bearing upon the question of whether insurance companies are correct in assuming that the expectation of life is less in females than in men, the classified tables of mortality compiled by the lecturer contain facts which are not generally known, and whose importance is too much overlooked. While Mr. DELMAR may have proved the position which he advanced, it is probable that its application to insurance tables was tolerably well stated in the criticism of Mr. WHITING, who, while admitting that women were longer-lived than men, denied that the class of women who resort to insurance were so.

Mr. NAST is one of those artists whose drawings convey many a needful lesson. He has two pictures in *Harper's* this week which are worth many leading articles. One may serve to bring home to the minds of working men the truth that capitalists do not sleep on beds of roses, and that if the poor have many trials to face, their employers are not always to be envied. The other drawing represents TWEED and SWEENY sitting at a table over a plan of the Broadway extension scheme, while Mayor HALL is sweeping out the room. TWEED, *loq.*—"To make this *look straight* is the hardest job I ever had. What made WATSON go sleigh-riding?" On the wall are a square, with the legend under it, "not used in this office," a picture of HOFFMAN, "our next President," and a placard inscribed "Sweed, Tweeny & Co., architects and planners." Mr. NAST is the JOHN LEECH of the day, and he is a leech that can draw blood. We hope he will continue to serve the public as faithfully as he is now doing.

Mr. MARTIN'S lecture, yesterday evening, on "The Civil Rights of Women," though a temperate and exhaustive statement of the subject, is somewhat liable to the charge of indefiniteness which attaches to so much of the controversy on this question. What, for instance, in the shape of practical reform, can be made out of such a statement as this? "They only mean may give up many occupations [illegible] which women are capable of filling, and that men should betake themselves to hard labor and manly labor." Mr. MARTIN, in making this among other equally general statements touching what women claim as their rights, states that he purposely avoids details. Unfortunately it is simply by descending to details that any progress can possibly be expected, and so long as the ladies and their advocates refuse to leave the social region of general principles, they will hardly see their cause advance so rapidly as they have a right to expect.

The Democrats in the Senate, like their brethren in the House, cannot conceal their hostility to the bill guaranteeing greater freedom and purity at the ballot-box. In most ordinary opposition, which is compatible with fairness and a readiness to acquiesce in the action of the majority. Is in opposition of that kind and furious sort which indicates a consciousness of severe partisan injury if the bill become law. In the first instance, the resistance was, professedly, based upon aversion to the employment of military when called for by a United States Marshal. But that provision was stricken out in the House, and still the Democrats are no nearer reconciliation to the measure. Nothing will satisfy them but its entire defeat. They have peculiar reasons for desiring the continuance of a system which enables organized knaves and ruffians to control the results of elections,—and the country understands well what those reasons are.

Those who are inclined to regard with distrust Mr. WELLS' argument on State and local taxation, because of his opinions respecting the tariff, may like to know that Mr. HENRY C. CAREY, the veteran protectionist, is equally hostile to the taxation of personal property. On this subject WELLS and CAREY are agreed. The opinion is not a new one, so far as Mr. CAREY is concerned, as a reference to his work on *Social Science* will prove. An opportunity for its reaffirmation is, however, afforded by the proposal to assess personal property in Philadelphia. "More than a dozen years since," writes Mr. CAREY now, "I showed that the taxation of personal property was a characteristic of a state of semi-barbarism." Real property, he argues, "must ultimately become the exclusive contributor to the public revenue." Our legislators at Albany are too exclusively occupied with jobs that pay, to consider, with the requisite care, the merits of the reforms recommended by Mr. WELLS and his associates. But the more intelligent of our citizens are not unmindful of its bearings upon the material interests of this City and the State.

Indiana legislators are always cantankerous. When the ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment was to be decided, the Democrats withdrew from the House, leaving it without a quorum. The Republican majority then remained ratified the amendment, nevertheless,—and the ratification stands. Now, Republican members of the House have resigned to prevent the passage of a bill redistricting the State, as the telegram alleges, "in violation of the Constitution." The Democrats will no doubt fall back on the precedent set by the Republicans in connection with the amendment, and pass the bill, whether its opponents are in the House or not. This method of frustrating legislative action is in any case bad. If an unconstitutional act is passed, the proper place to fight it in is the Courts. Nothing is gained by running away from the post of duty.

AMUSEMENTS.

Announcements for Today.

There will be matinées today at all the theatres. At Wallack's "Home" and "Rise Reville" will be performed. At the Fourteenth-street Theatre Mrs. CLYMER will make her début in "The Lady of Lyons." The musical public will be appealed to, today, by Miss MERRY KEEBS, whose seventh piano recital will be given at Steinway Hall; by the dashing performances of Mr. JAMES M. WEHLI, who gives his second matinée at the Union League Hall; and by the Euterpe Society, whose entertainment at Association Hall will have the aid of Mr. WEHLI. In the evening, Miss VIENNA DEMOREST will be heard by an invited audience at Chickering's Rooms, and the Rivarde Musical Club will give its second concert, with the co-operation of M. RAMBERI VRANOVA, at Apollo Hall. Mr. W. A. M. DILLER, organist, of Brooklyn; Mrs. S. M. DILLINGHAM, soprano, and Mr. WM. S. LEONARD, tenor, will perform at the usual concert at Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, today, at 4 o'clock.

Miss Nilsson.

Miss NILSSON'S reappearance before a New-York audience will take place on the evening of March 2. Her very brilliant and remunerative engagement is nearing its close.

LOSS OF THE QUAKER CITY.

Her Boiler Bursts While at Sea—Rescue of the Passengers and Crew—The Surprise Admiral and the Crew of the Hornet Among Them.

The total loss of the steam-ship *Quaker City*, not long ago one of the best and most effective of SAGER'S war-vessels, is reported by the steam-ship *Parrish*, from Bermuda, which reached this port yesterday. The *Quaker City*, was on her way from Hayti to this City, to be sold. She had on board, as passengers, the Haytian Admiral DEJOUS, the crew of the *Hornet* and others, and a cargo of 300 tons of log-wood and a large amount of specie. She burst her boilers while at sea. Fortunately, the crew and all hands on board were saved, and were taken to Bermuda. Her cargo and specie are fully covered by insurance.

The *Quaker City* has had an existence full of adventure. She attempted to sail from this City about two years ago for Hayti, but previous to her clearance she was seized and libeled under the supposition that she was bound for Cuba. The charges against her proving false, she was allowed to clear, and at once proceeded to Hayti, where she entered the service of the Provisional Government under SAGER. She was fitted up as a man-of-war, and her name changed to the *Republic*. She proved very effective in blockading and fighting, and did good service for the Government. When peace and quiet were at length restored in Hayti, and SAGER proclaimed President, there was no further use for the vessel, and she was sold to Admiral DEJOUS. She was afterward repaired and fitted up for trade between Hayti and New-York, but her owner intended to sell her again, and was on his way in her for that purpose, as stated above.

The second anniversary of the formation of the New-York Genealogical and Biographical Society takes place this evening at 8 o'clock, at the Mott Memorial Hall, No. 64 Madison-avenue. An address will be delivered by HENRY E. SYLES, M. D. President of the Society.

FORTY-FIRST CONGRESS.

THIRD SESSION.

SENATE....WASHINGTON, Friday, Feb. 24.

The credentials of WILLIAM WINDOM, as Senator from Minnesota, for six years from the 4th of March next, were presented by the Vice President, read and tabled.

REPORTS.

Mr. STEWART, of Nevada, from the Committee on the Pacific Railroad, reported upon the question of transportation of Government freights on the Pacific Railroad, recommending that the interests of the Government would be subserved by transportation at all freights overland instead of via Panama, and that by retaining fifty per cent. the semi-annual interest would be provided for. The report of the Committee, in writing, was ordered to be printed.

Mr. CARPENTER, of Wisconsin, from the Judiciary Committee, in response to a resolution of the Senate in regard to the retention by Government of more than fifty per cent. of the transportation over the Pacific Railroad, submitted a written report averse to the opinion of the Attorney-General, claiming that under the provisions of existing laws, Government has not the right to retain more than fifty per cent. of the amount.

Mr. EDMUNDS, of Vermont, in behalf of the minority of the Committee, stated that he had not had time to submit a minority report, and desired the Senate to understand that he did not concur in the views of the majority.

The report was then ordered to be printed.

Mr. TRUMBULL, of Illinois, from the Judiciary Committee, reported favorably a bill repealing the test oath, and asked to be discharged from further consideration of the President's Message. It was so ordered.

The Senate concurred, on motion of Mr. CHANDLER, of Michigan, in the House amendments to the Senate bill, to secure better protection to passengers on steam-boats.

Mr. SHERMAN, of Ohio, from the Finance Committee, reported back the bill to provide for Assistant United States Treasurers at Cincinnati and Chicago.

MISSISSIPPI BRIDGES.

The bill relating to bridges across the Mississippi River was considered and passed.

THE TEXAS PACIFIC RAILROAD.

Mr. HOWARD, of Michigan, called up the Texas Pacific Railroad bill, and moved for the appointment of a Committee of Conference on the subject.

Mr. SAWYER, of South Carolina, feared the reference of the bill to such Committee would be long.

Mr. WARNER, of Alabama, moved to concur in the House amendments.

Mr. POMEROY, of Kansas, favored the recommittal of the bill to the Committee on Pacific Railroads.

Mr. BLAIR, of Missouri, said that if the bill passed as it came from the House, it would be only another Northern line of road. It was to make another great trunk line, ending at the North and not at the South, having a Northern gauge, and from which all the Southern branches had been designedly cut off. If there was any one thing to which this Congress was pledged, it was to give the South a Southern road. But this bill was a delusion and a snare.

Mr. POOL, of North Carolina, preferred no bill at all to that which had come from the House.

Mr. CONKLING, of New-York, thought the bill could not be disposed of without debate, and he therefore insisted on the regular order.

A SENATOR FROM GEORGIA.

A message was received from the President announcing that he had signed the bill prescribing a form of oath to be taken by H. V. M. MILLER, claiming a seat as Senator from Georgia. Upon invitation of the Vice-President, Mr. MILLER, who was present, came forward and took the oath prescribed, and entered upon his duties.

PURITY OF ELECTIONS.

The Senate then, at 12½ o'clock P. M., took up the regular order of business, being the House bill to guard the purity of elections, entitled, An Act to amend an act approved May 31, 1870, to enforce the rights of citizens of the United States to vote in the several States of the Union, and for other Purposes.

The bill was read.

Mr. VICKERS, of Maryland, criticised the bill as an offshoot of an unconstitutional measure of last session, under which military intervention had been resorted to at the State elections as expedients of the Republican Party in carrying the elections. He proceeded to deliver a long argument against the right of Congress to interfere in such elections, except in cases of extreme necessity where the execution of the State laws was impeded. He commented upon the appointment of men of the most infamous character as deputy marshals in New-York City at the election last year.

Mr. JOHNSTON, of Virginia, said the eighth section authorized the United States marshals to arrest an election officer during the progress of an election, thus enabling them to defeat and overturn an election. He moved to strike out the section, which was not agreed to.

Mr. JOHNSTON then moved to strike out the tenth section, authorizing deputies at the polls to arrest any man without process, and compelling bystanders, when called on, to assist in the arrest, under penalty of two years' imprisonment.

Mr. TRUMBULL, of Illinois, favored the motion. He approved of the purpose of the bill in preventing frauds at elections, but reminded the Senate of the consequences should bad men get control of the machinery provided for in the tenth section. It is said that election frauds in New-York were perpetrated under the auspices of Tammany Hall. Should a President of the United States be in harmony with that organization, he would appoint a United States Marshal to manage politics, and this officer having the appointment of as many deputies as he should see fit to appoint, might appoint the very men by whom these frauds were now committed. These men would have power to arrest people indiscriminately without process, and any bystander refusing to assist them would be liable to imprisonment in the Penitentiary for two years. Even the Fugitive Slave law, the most odious upon the statute book, did not go this far, for it attached no penalty for a refusal to assist a marshal. He was not one of those who believed in the necessity of this legislation, nor that Washington City was the sole source of all wisdom and purity, but thought the people might safely be left to themselves in such a matter.

Mr. JOHNSTON'S motion was rejected—yeas 13, nays 29.

Messrs. ROSS of Kansas, TIPTON of Nebraska, and TRUMBULL voted with the Democrats.

Mr. JOHNSTON then moved to strike out that part of the tenth section imposing penalties of fine and imprisonment for the refusal or neglect to assist deputies at elections.

Mr. CASSERLY, of California, regarded this as a most harsh and extraordinary provision, which would punish men innocent of any intention to violate the law either in thought or deed. A citizen would be at the mercy of a brothel-keeper, or hangeron of such a place, who might be acting as an election deputy. Such characters had been appointed in New-York City.

Mr. SAULSBURY, of Delaware, did not apprehend any bad effect of the bill so far as it concerned Democratic majorities, as the public indignation it would arouse against the dominant party would more than counterbalance any Democratic loss in the exclusion of legal votes. That feature which authorized an arrest without a warrant was the worst of all. For one, if called upon, he would refuse to assist these deputies, and it would be better for society if the people would throw the miserable wretches into the nearest creek. This was the last effort of a dying party to perpetuate its power.

Mr. THURMAN, of Ohio, spoke of the liability in damages of an officer and those who assisted him for making an arrest where no offense was committed. The motion was voted down—yeas 11, nays 34.

Mr. CASSERLY submitted several modifications of the bill, he said, in the interest of law and humanity, which he advocated, but they were rejected.

Mr. JOHNSTON moved to prohibit the arrest of any election officer while in the actual performance of his duty.

It was rejected by yeas 8 to nays 32.

Additional amendments by Messrs. THURMAN and CASSERLY were voted down.

Mr. THURMAN, of Ohio, attributed the wholesale rejection of amendments to the decree of a party caucus, under which a measure of no immediate necessity was to be forced through without the slightest change, to the exclusion of more important business.

Mr. HAMILTON, of Maryland, in a two-hour argument, illustrated the tendency of Congressional legislation to entrench upon reserved rights of States, and argued that the Constitutional clause regulating the manner of holding elections had sole reference to ascertaining the popular will, and conferred no authority to impose qualifications upon electors in States. The motive for the bill was to save New-York State in the radical cause in 1870; but as the result of a similar measure of last session the Democratic majority in New-York City had increased 12,000. The payment of $5 per day to deputies for ten days would insure those worthies an election frolic, while saving an otherwise necessary expenditure by the politicians at the primary elections and for repeating at the polls. In the course of his remarks, to show the tendency of the United States Marshal to usurp the control of elections, Mr. HAMILTON caused to be read what he called a proclamation by the United States Marshal of Maryland, issued on the eve of the last election, forbidding the use of barriers to show distinctions as to color at the polls.

The discussion was further continued by the Democratic minority for hours upon the threatened control of elections by Federal authority, and similar topics, the Republican Senators meanwhile manifesting an appearance of indifference to the debate, and a determination to set all night. The Democratic members seemed disposed to test the physical endurance of the majority, and Messrs. THURMAN, BAYARD and CASSERLY regularly succeeded each other in the offer and advocacy of amendments and the delivery of lengthy arguments upon the revolutionary and monstrous character of the measure, while the rest of their associates prepared to continue the struggle indefinitely.

All the amendments were rejected *viva voce*.

At 9 o'clock Mr. BAYARD was awarded the floor. In the course of a long speech, he denied, as a base slander upon the people of his State, the charge that military were needed there to protect voters from intimidation at the polls, and asserted that the introduction of the soldiery into Delaware prior to the elections there last Fall, was only prevented by his own emphatic protest to the President. Notwithstanding this, the State was invaded under the lead of a United States Marshal, by a horde of fell-bloods from the neighborhood of Philadelphia, disguised as deputy marshals. But these fellows did not dare to carry out their designs in interfering with the elections, or they would have received the punishment they deserved. He contended that the bill was ten times more dangerous than all the frauds complained of.

At 11 o'clock Mr. CASSERLY suggested an adjournment for an adjournment immediately and a final vote to-morrow.

Mr. SHERMAN asserted that the purpose of the majority was to pass the bill before an adjournment, and urged the minority to succumb, as they had now occupied eleven hours.

Mr. CASSERLY defended the minority as having acted solely on the defensive against the pressure of an overwhelming majority, who had declined either to discuss the bill or to allow it to be amended. He said three members of the minority, and perhaps others, intended to speak at great length.

The debate was then resumed, Mr. BLAIR addressing the Senate in a speech of half an hour.

Messrs. THURMAN and BAYARD followed in amendments to the bill, which were voted down.

At 1¾ o'clock A. M., a final vote was reached, when the bill was passed by a party vote, as follows—yeas 39, nays 10.

Mr. VICKERS moved to amend the title, so as to read, "An act to prevent free and intelligent voters of the United States from exercising the right of suffrage." Lost.

At 1¾ o'clock A. M. the Senate adjourned till 11 o'clock A. M.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Petitions were presented as follows:

By Mr. REEVES, of New-York—For an appropriation to improve Huntington Harbor, Long Island Sound.

By Mr. STEVENSON, of Ohio—To relieve cigar-makers from unjust taxation.

By Mr. MOORE, of New-Jersey—Against railroad land grants.

FRONTIER PROTECTION.

Mr. BENNETT, of New-York, asked to have half an hour allowed him, on Tuesday next, for the bill to provide for the better protection of the Northern and North-western frontier.

Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, objected, unless the bill to prevent Kuklux outrages was passed before that time.

Mr. DAWES, of Massachusetts, appealed to the House to consent to an evening session for the Sundry Civil Appropriation bill.

Objection was made by Messrs. SCOFIELD, BROOKS of New-York, BUTLER of Massachusetts, and other members, on the ground that experience proved it impossible to keep a quorum at a night session. It was suggested that the House would perform much more work by sitting until 6 o'clock in the afternoon.

Mr. DAWES yielded to these suggestions, and withdrew the proposition for a night session.

THE COAL DUTY.

Mr. COX, of New-York, appealed to the House to let him offer a resolution abolishing the duty on coal, declaring that he had tried for two months to get a hearing on that subject. Coal was now $20 a ton to the poor, and human beings were being frozen to death in New-York.

Objection was made.

THE CIVIL APPROPRIATIONS.

The House then took up the bill making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the Government.

Mr. BROOKS, of New-York, suggested that the House should begin at the tail end of the bill, because the other appropriation bills in the last few days had been passed under a suspension of the rules before the tail ends of them had been reached.

The bill, which is usually designated the "Omnibus bill," appropriates $38,583,992. Among its items are the following:

For the State Department, $134,000; for the Treasury Department, $160,000; for the Revenue-cutter service, $1,087,000; for construction of revenue-cutters, $300,000; for marine hospitals, $150,000; for national currency, for detecting and punishing counterfeiters, $200,000; to pay Massachusetts the amount found due for coast defense, $330,100; for expenses of United States Courts, $2,000,000; for land offices, $43,000; expenses of surveying the revenue from public lands, $432,000; for the Metropolitan Police of the District of Columbia, $207,000; for the Government Hospital for Insane, $153,000; for the Deaf and Dumb Institution, $48,000; for the Columbia Woman's Hospital and Lying-in Charities, $25,000; for the Smithsonian Institute, $20,000; for the Capitol extension work, $100,000; for the extension of the Government Printing-office, $45,000; for surveying public lands, $510,000; for territorial boundary lines and surveys, $45,000; for expenses of the ninth census, $1,250,000; for public buildings and grounds in Washington, $290,000; for the Washington aqueduct, $134,000; for Rock Island bridge, Illinois, $500,000; for the Rock Island Arsenal and Armory, $688,000; for all other armories and arsenals, $220,000; for the Freedmen's Bureau, $265,000; for the Signal Office, $102,000; for the settlement of accounts of army disbursing officers, $275,000; for military convicts in penitentiaries, $50,000; to indemnify States for war expenses, $800,000; to pay for horses and other property lost in the military service, $850,000; light-house expenses, $1,868,000; for coast survey, $668,000; for navy-yards, $1,453,000; for Post-offices and other Government buildings, $1,074,000, (this includes $50,000 for Charleston, S. C.; $80,000 for Knoxville, Tenn.; $100,000 for Portland, Oregon; $94,000 for St. Paul, Minn.; $1,386,000 for New-York; $600,000 for Boston; $500,000 for the San Francisco Mint; $150,000 for the New-Orleans Custom-house; $100,000 for Trenton, N. J.; $100,000 for the purchase of a lot in St. Louis; $212,000 for Appraisers' stores at San Francisco; $200,000 for the Printing-office of the Treasury Department; $150,000 for Hartford, Conn.; $200,000 for Albany, N. Y.; $100,000 for Nashville, Tenn.; $75,000 for Grand Rapids, Mich.; $100,000 for Port Huron, Mich.; $80,000 for La Crosse, Wis.; $20,000 for Machias, Me.; $75,000 for Quincy, Ill.; $80,000 for Indianapolis; $43,000 for Portland, Me.; $50,000 for the hospital on Angel Island, San Francisco; $75,000 for the Assayer's Office in Helena, Montana; $50,000 for Montgomery, Ala.; $50,000 for Little Rock, Ark., and $34,000 for Cairo, Ill.); for light-houses, beacons, and fog signals, $1,930,000; for light-house tenders, $100,000. The fifth section of the Civil appropriates $17,500 for the salary of an Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the German Empire, $7,500 for the Secretary of Legation, and $1,800 for Assistant Secretary of Legation.

Mr. HALDEMAN, of Pennsylvania, moved to increase the item for the compensation and expenses of the Commission for determining the pending questions between Great Britain and the United States from $25,000 to $50,000. He said that the object of his motion was to obtain an opportunity of expressing his opinion on the subject of the Commission. He had intended, if he could have obtained the floor, to offer a preamble and resolution which he believed embodied the opinion of two-thirds of the members of this House. The preamble was, that it was manifest destiny that all portions of the North American continent and the adjacent islands must in the course of time be associated together under one general Government; that such inevitable annexations and changes of allegiance should be carefully prepared and facilitated, and that, therefore, the declaration by the High Commission of the absolute power and right of the British-American Colonies to withdraw their allegiance by a vote of a majority of their inhabitants, and to seek such other national connections as they may elect, would be hailed as an act of high amity and wisdom that would greatly allay the unhappy irritation now existing between the United States and Great Britain. He withdrew the amendment.

Mr. WOOD, of New-York, inquired as to the item of $4,000, for expenses incurred by the United States Legation in Paris, in protecting German subjects in France, and whether the German Government would not reimburse those expenses.

Mr. DAWES replied that the German Government had offered to do so, but that our Government thought it would be a small business to go into an account on such a matter and preferred to pay the expense itself.

Mr. WOOD expressed himself satisfied with that explanation.

Coal.

Various propositions were submitted by Messrs. WOOD, BROOKS of New-York, COX and FOX, for the repeal of the duty on coal, but they were all ruled out of order. Among them was a proposition by Mr. FOX to strike out an item for fuel for the Treasury Department. He remarked, in connection with it, that while the poor people of New-York were perishing from cold on account of the high price of coal caused by the legislation of Congress, he would not vote for fuel to toast the shins of the friends of the Republican Party.

Massachusetts Coast Defense.

The item of $230,000 to pay the State of Massachusetts for the cost of coast defenses was ruled out of order, on a point of order made by Mr. FARNSWORTH, on the ground that there was no law authorizing it.

Mr. DAWES expressed his surprise at the ruling of the Speaker pro tem., (Mr. SCOFIELD in the chair,) but declined from a motive of delicacy to appeal from it.

Mr. SARGENT, of California, however, did appeal from it.

The decision of the Chair was sustained.

Mr. SARGENT then moved to suspend the rules so as to make the item in order in the bill.

The motion was rejected, and the item was therefore excluded.

General Land Office Museum.

An item of $10,000 to compensate JOSEPH L. WILSON, late Land Commissioner, for the collection of the valuable scientific museum at the General Land Office, gave rise to an excited discussion; the appropriation being opposed principally by Mr. KELSEY, of New-York, and advocated by Messrs. Sargent, Axtell, Beck, Dawes, Banks, Butler and Dickey.

Mr. KELSEY'S motion to strike it out was rejected—yeas 77, nays 96.

Five Thousand Dollars More for Vinnie Ream.

Mr. BANKS moved to increase the item of $5,000, due to VINNIE REAM for the statute of ABRAHAM LINCOLN, to $10,000, making the total amount of $15,000.

After discussion the motion was agreed to; 78 to 69.

The House, having disposed of twenty pages out of the fifty-five pages of the bill, adjourned at 5¾.

The United American Mechanics.

The grand complimentary entertainment in celebration of the anniversary of Star Council No. 49, of the Order of United American Mechanics of Hoboken, N. J., took place on Thursday evening. The most notable features of the evening were the address of Hon. HORACE GREELEY upon the subject of "Co-operation and Labor;" piano-forte music by Dr. WM. BERGE, of New-York; solos by Misses M. O'GRADY, JONES and PRITCHARD, and Mrs. WHITELAY; also, Messrs. WM. HUGHES, H. WOLFCAMP and others. The New-Jersey Brass Band also aided in the festivities of the occasion. A pyramidic star, emblematic of the organization, was presented by Messrs. DELAWARE and PUTNAM. The hall was tastily decorated with flags, banners and pictures. Mr. VAN RIPER, of New-Jersey, delivered an appropriate complimentary address upon the objects and benefits of the Order, which numbers half a million members in the United States. A letter was also read from President GRANT regretting his inability to be present. The affair closed with a social hop.

THE LATEST DISASTER.

Smash-Up on the Northern Central Railroad—One Man Killed and Seventeen Injured—Incidents and Particulars.

The Elmira *Advertiser* of yesterday morning gives the following account of the accident on the Northern Central Railroad on Thursday morning, near the village of Watsontown, about twenty-eight miles south of Williamsport, Penn.:

The express-train, due in this city about 12 o'clock noon, was thrown from the track between 7 and 8 o'clock by a broken rail. The engine, tender, baggage-cars and first passenger-car cleared the rail in safety and did not leave the track. The second passenger-car, the third passenger-car which was a "sleeper," and the fourth passenger-car flew from the track and went down an embankment about forty feet high. The last car of the train was thrown from the track, but the coupling broke and it did not go over the embankment. The first passenger car that went down made, in its descent, three revolutions before it stopped. It was a complete wreck. Its roof was stripped off clean, and most of the passengers were spilled out as it went over and over. In this car were the passengers who were the most seriously injured.

ADAM FRYMEYER, of Milton, Penn., was in this car and was killed instantly. EDWIN M. LEMON, of Warsaw, N. Y., quite badly injured. BENJAMIN WEEKS, of Havana, N. Y., slightly injured. In all, there were seventeen persons more or less injured, and several, it is feared, fatally. In this coach a colored boy, sitting near the stove at the front of the car, had his pantaloons nearly burnt off from him, and his coat pocket filled with live coals.

In the sleeping car, which was the next one, there were a number of women and children, and our informant states that through all the excitement and dread, through the whole car, was the stillness of death, except now and then the cry of a child. In this car was Hon. H. BOARDMAN SMITH, of our city, who escaped unhurt. In the berth beneath him was Hon. HORACE BEMIS, of Hornellsville, who at the time of the accident was dressing, and was sitting on the edge of his berth. He was thrown over backward, striking his head through the window on to the ground, just as the car stopped. His head and face were badly cut, and he received other injuries, but probably not serious ones. He was extricated from beneath at least five feet of rubbish, dirt, broken sticks, and other *débris*. This car, too, was badly damaged, and took fire almost immediately at both ends, from the stoves. Filled as it was with women and children, much alarm was excited for a few moments, lest the car should be burned before its passengers were extricated. But the flames were extinguished at one end by the colored porter of the car, who emptied upon them the contents of the water-tank, and at the other end of the car a passenger put out the fire by breaking through to the snow with his heel and emptying the snow upon the flames. Before the fire was put out, the women and children were passed up through the windows, and afterward those that remained came out through either end.

The third car that went down the embankment, instead of striking against the sleeper, lapped by it nearly half its own length, and went only part way down the bank. No one in the car was seriously injured.

The officers of the road were, immediately after the occurrence, telegraphed to, and shortly thereafter an extra train was run out from Williamsport with surgeons to care for those who were injured, and with the proper officers of the road to see that matters were set straight. The passengers most seriously injured were left at the hotel at Watsontown; others were brought to the Herdic House, in Williamsport; while others continued on their journey, rejoicing that it was, for them, no worse. The train was detained at the scene of the accident until near about noon. There was a large number of people on the train, returning from a visit to Washington, whither they had been to be present at the carnival.

Commander FRANK ROE, United States Navy, well known in this city, was in the first passenger car. He was on his way to this place, and escaped uninjured.

A PRESENTIMENT.

Hon. JOHN I. NICKS, of this city, has been in Washington the past three or four days during the session of Congress, and during that would have been natural for him, and he had intended, when he first considered the trip, to return home on the train which ought to have reached here from the South yesterday at noon. But his wife, before he left home, from some cause or other, entertained some fears, presentiments or warnings, whatever you may please to call them, that there was especial danger on the train on which he contemplated returning. The Senator, manlike, pooh-poohed at the womanish fears, but prevailed upon, at length, by the entreaties of other members of his family, promised to return by the way of New-York. Otherwise, he would have been on the train that met with the serious accident an account of which is given above, and it cannot but be a matter of congratulation to him that he listened to the fears or presentiments of his wife.

RELIEF FOR THE FRENCH.

Additional Contributions—Another United States Vessel at the Disposal of the Committee—Appeal to the Public.

Mr. CHARLES LANIER, Treasurer of the Fund for the Relief of the Suffering Population of France, acknowledges the receipt of the following additional subscriptions to Feb. 23:

J. J. Cisco & Son, $100; Christ Church, (Episcopal,) Indianapolis, Ind., $95; Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, Rev. H. W. Beecher, (additional,) $100; J. H. Polk, $50; Francis P. Corbin, $50; H. A. Dubois, $20; Theodore Lins, $5; R. M. W., $20; Mrs. M. J., $5; "a clerk," $5; J. H. Reaume, $5; Philena S. Regua, $1; "friend," $1; Presbyterian Church, Hammond, N. Y., $3 25. Total amount received by the Chamber of Commerce Committee, $91,015 69. By Produce Exchange Committee, $15,045. Grand total, $106,060 69.

Rear-Admiral SMITH has received orders from the Navy Department to fit out for sea with all dispatch another sailing vessel, to be placed at the disposal of the New-York Committees to convey provisions to France. There are two vessels only available for the purpose at the Brooklyn Yard, the store-ship *Relief*, which can stow about 2,000 barrels, and the United States sloop-of-war *Saratoga*, third rate, fourteen guns, 757 tons, which can carry about 4,000 barrels. The ship *Relief* is entirely dismantled and will require at least thirty days work on her before she can be put into commission. The *Saratoga* is only partially dismantled and can be made ready for sea in twelve days. As she has superior capacity to, and is further advanced than the *Relief*, it is probable that she will be fitted out for the special service alluded to. It is rumored that Commander GEORGE H. PERKINS, now stationed at the Charlestown Navy Yard, will be ordered to the command of the vessel to succeed the *Supply*, on her mission to Europe. The *Saratoga*, if fitted out, will be relieved of her battery, and will carry only a couple of light signal-guns, and a small crew, just sufficient to properly handle the ship. The *Saratoga* is a comfortable vessel and a fair sailer. If it is found that the vessels already installed for the purpose are insufficient, the *Relief* will be fitted out. Beyond this force, the Navy Department has no vessel which can be set apart for the object, unless additional men are enlisted. The *Saratoga* will take the draft of men on the *Vermont* originally designed for the gun-boat *Shawmut*.

M. GERDY, President of the Comité de Secours in this City, is in receipt of letters from Mr. ERNEST BECK, Secretary of the Society of Quakers, in London, acknowledging the receipt of two remittances from the Committee. Mr. BECK states in his communication that in the vicinity of Metz, on account of the long duration of the investment, the distress among the people is most extreme, and that not less than 9,000 persons have been assisted by the Society of Quakers. At the latest date, the 10th inst., the Society had forwarded 24,000 bushels of grain to that locality. The society has also taken action to provide employment for men and women, in order to prevent a complete demoralization of the impoverished inhabitants. The society has already distributed clothing among the starving population in France, amounting in value to £1,500, (37,000 francs,) and large quantities are ready for distribution as soon as instructions have been received by the society's commissioners, who have been sent to the Loire.

The French Relief Committee of the New-York Chamber of Commerce make the following statement and appeal to the public:

The Committee for Relief of Starvation in France has placed on the United States ship *Supply* the flour and other provisions received from individual donors. The Committee has also bought flour, beef, canned meat, &c. Each barrel and case has been branded "Gift of New-York," except 1,000 barrels of flour and 150 tierces of beef, which have been branded "Gift of San Francisco," these having been purchased with funds received from that city. The Committee is in receipt of various offers of free freight from the West, also of storage, cartage, lighterage, and the services of brokers, stevedors, and elevators, all free of any charge. The Committee now most earnestly appeals to the people for further contributions of flour and other provisions. These are coming to the Committee from some of the Western cities, each barrel branded with the name of the city giving it. Let every city, town and village in this country have its name enrolled on the Committee's books and marked on packages of food, seeds or clothing. Spring wheat for seed is greatly needed. The ship *Supply* will sail next week, and another Government ship or steamer will be placed at the Committee's disposal. Next Wednesday a member of the Committee will go to Europe, at his own expense, to co-operate with committees there, to secure the most careful and efficient distribution of funds and supplies contributed here. Let there be no delay in forwarding further contributions for the millions of suffering women and children in the desolated agricultural districts of France. The Committee is under the greatest obligations to the Associated Press and the Western Union Telegraph Company.

CHARLES H. MARSHALL,
Chairman of the Committee.
CHARLES LANIER, Treasurer.
ANSON PHELPS STOKES, Secretary.
HENRY W. BELLOWS.

Canadian Annexation Club.

The Canadian Annexation Club of this City, held a meeting last evening, at Masonic Hall. The President, HONORI GOULET, occupied the chair, and introduced Prof. GEORGE BANCROFT, the orator of the evening, who addressed an appeal to all nationalities residing in North America, speaking the French language, to rally in favor of the union of Canada with the United States.

GENERAL OFFICE DELAWARE AND HUDSON CANAL COMPANY, No. 71 BROADWAY, FEB. 24, 1871.

Great injustice is being done this Company by the publication of articles in the daily papers which grossly misrepresent the facts.

It is alleged that at the time our men suspended work, about the 1st of December last, we had a large amount of coal on hand, which was held back with the view of obtaining exorbitant rates as the result of the suspension.

The following statement is a full and true exhibit of the amount of coal stored by this Company on the first days of December, January and February, with the sales each month, and the average price received for the same:

STOCK OF COAL NOV. 30, 1870.

	Tons.
Honesdale	103,236
Rondout	11,002
Weehawken	17,882
New-York, afloat	11,500
In yards	10,319
Total	153,698

Sold during December, 73,156 tons, at an average of $4 56 per ton by the cargo.

STOCK OF COAL DEC. 31, 1870.

	Tons.
Honesdale	49,197
Rondout	6,414
Weehawken	11,718
New-York, afloat	4,500
In yards	7,501
Newark, N. J	1,212
Total	80,542

Sold during January, 51,696 tons, at an average of $6 04 7-19 per ton by cargo.

STOCK OF COAL JAN. 31, 1871.

	Tons.
Honesdale	4,855
Rondout	6,414
Weehawken	4,743
New-York, afloat	5,250
In yards	5,978
Newark, N. J	1,806
Total	28,846

Sold during February to date, 16,987 tons, at an average of $6 52 per ton by cargo.

NEW-YORK RETAIL PRICES.

For December	$6 50 to $7 50
For January	7 50 to 8 50
For February	8 00 to 8 50

Per net ton, delivered at residence.

We have now on hand, Feb. 23:

	Tons.
Weehawken	1,089
Yards in New-York	3,211
Yards in Newark	1,140
At Rondout	5,819
Total	11,259

Our present prices for coal at retail are $8 and $8 50 per ton.

Today orders have been issued to hold all the coal on hand for distribution to families, at the prices above named.

This Company have done all in their power to prevent high prices, and when the coal on hand is distributed, as it will be, they are no longer responsible for the situation.

THOS. DICKSON, President.

—*Advertisement.*

THE NEW-YORK TIMES.

SUNDAY EDITION.

The TIMES of next Sunday, the 26th inst., will be a most attractive and interesting paper, and, as usual, the best adapted for family reading of any published in the City. Its contents will include literary, art, news, and miscellaneous matter, carefully prepared and arranged, and of interest to all classes of readers.

ISAAC IDLER'S RAMBLES will be continued with a paper describing some curious Hindoo customs, especially as regards amusements and festivals. An account will be given of a remarkable festival, known as the "Charruck Poojah," witnessed by the writer of these sketches. The habits of the natives in their hours of pastime, and many characteristic features of life in India, will also be touched upon in the sketch. Altogether, this will be one of the most interesting of the "Idler" series.

The department of CURRENT LITERATURE so long one of the most popular features of the Sunday edition of the TIMES, will contain as usual a good story, and an unusually varied selection of short extracts from the best and latest domestic and foreign magazines and books, forming altogether a most attractive collection of literary Readings;—

Special articles, written for this edition of the TIMES by able and experienced writers, will also be given. These will include:

A pleasant article, full of information and attractively written, on A TALK WITH A TAXIDERMIST, giving a pen picture of his diminutive shop; his views, expressed in his own homely language, of the business of bird and animal stuffing; cost and manner of preparing specimens; wild animals and birds as articles of food; difficulties and peculiarities of the business, &c.;—

And a timely and entertaining sketch of PONDICHERRY, the French possession in India, demanded by the Germans; a Summer trip among the belles and billiardists of Oriental boulevards; how the French live out of France; manners and customs of the natives; the charms and delights of the place, &c.

Among other conspicuous features will be:

NOTES AND COMMENTS, a column or more of interesting and suggestive paragraphs on curious topics discussed or reports found in the papers of the day;—

A complete summary of DRAMATIC INTELLIGENCE, relating to events at home and abroad, which is always fuller and more accurate than can be found in any other paper;—

Several letters from ladies on the MARRIAGE DOWRY QUESTION, suggested by those published in last Sunday's and previous issues;—

FOREIGN ITEMS, notices and criticisms of NEW PICTURES; MILITARY GOSSIP, of special interest to members of the National Guard, &c., &c.

The general news of the day, by telegraph, mail and collected by our own correspondents and reporters, will also be as full and as trustworthy as usual, notwithstanding the space given to literary and miscellaneous matter.

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Clinton Fire Insurance Company, No. 156 Broadway.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 23, 1871.

E. Holmes, Esq., No. 7 Murray-st.:

DEAR SIR: Yesterday morning, at 4¼ o'clock, an unknown person did remove a piece of glass from my kitchen door and unlock the same, but on opening said door your Telegraph, like Geo. Washington, (it being his birthday,) who never told a lie, informed me of the fact, and I had just time to see him climbing over my neighbor's fences.

Yours, very truly,
JAS. B. AMES,
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MARRIED.

CHURCH—VINTEN.—At the residence of the bride's father, Meadow-st., Hoboken, on Tuesday, Feb. 21, by Rev. N. Sayre Harris, GEORGE W. CHURCH, of New-York, to Miss ANNIE C. VINTEN, daughter of Mr. Charles Vinten, of that city.

BURNETT—WINANS.—On the 22d inst., at the residence of the bride's father, by Rev. Dr. Chambers, JOHN H. BURNETT, of Brooklyn, and Miss EUGENIA R., only daughter of Henry H. Winans, Esq., of New-York.

JONES—HALLETT.—On the 23d inst., at St. Paul's Church, Brooklyn, E. D., by Rev. Saml. Hasking, Rector of St. Mark's, WM. T. JONES, Jr., to BLANCHE, eldest daughter of the late Reuben C. Hallett, of Wilmington, N. C. London papers please copy.

WICKMAN—HAINES.—At the Westminster Church, Elizabeth, N. J., Thursday, Feb. 23, by Rev. W. C. Roberts, WM. HULL WICKHAM, of Brooklyn, to Miss ELECTA B., daughter of the late R. T. Haines, of Elizabeth.

DIED.

AGNEW.—At Orange, N. J., 23d February, SARAH EMELINE, widow of J. Holmes Agnew, D. D., and daughter of the late John Taylor, of Newark, N. J.

Funeral services at the house of John P. Compton, Scotland-st., Orange, on Saturday, the 25th, at 2½ P. M. Carriages will await the arrival of the 1:10 train from New-York, Morris and Essex Road.

BAYRENTHER.—On Thursday, Feb. 23, after a protracted illness, JACOB BAYRENTHER, in the 56th year of his age.

Notice of funeral in Sunday's paper.

☞ Delaware and Ulster County papers please copy.

BARSTOW.—The funeral of HENRY W. BARSTOW, named in yesterday's paper, will take place at No. 22 Sands-st., Brooklyn, on Sunday, 26th inst., at 2½ o'clock P. M. The friends and relatives of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

CONATY.—At Harlem, on the 23d inst., HELEN L., eldest daughter of Thomas J. and O. H. Conaty, aged 19 years, 11 months and 13 days.

Funeral services will be held on Monday next, 27th inst., at her late residence, No. 37 West 127th-st., near 6th-av., at 1 o'clock P. M. The remains will be removed to Woodlawn Cemetery for interment.

CHASE.—At Riverside House, 152d-st., WILLIE M. CHASE, only child of Charles D. and Ella Irwin Chase, aged 4 years and 3 months.

Funeral from No. 110 West 44th-st. on Sunday, 26th inst., at 1 o'clock P. M.

JONES.—On Thursday, Feb. 23, WILLIAM JONES, in the 30th year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral Saturday morning, at 10 o'clock, from his late residence, No. 67 Centre-st., thence to St. Andrew's Church, Duane-st., where a requiem mass will be offered for the repose of his soul.

ODYKE.—At Plainfield, N. J., Feb. 22, JENNIE C., wife of C. W. ODYKE, aged 28.

Friends and relatives are invited to attend the funeral from her late residence in Plainfield, at 11 A. M. on Saturday, 25th inst.

PINKNEY.—In Brooklyn, on Thursday, Feb. 23, after a short illness, Mrs. ANN AUGUSTA PINKNEY, widow of Charles Pinkney, of Baltimore, Md.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Theodore Kane, No. 357 Adelphi-st., Brooklyn, on Saturday, the 25th inst., at 2 o'clock P. M., without further notice.

RANNEY.—On Thursday, Feb. 23, ANN CURTISS, wife of E. W. Ranney, M. D., aged 46 years.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral from her late residence, No. 440 West 23d-st., on Saturday the 25th inst., at 1 o'clock P. M.

SEWALL.—In Dover, N. H., on the 20th inst., MARTHA T., relict of James C. Sewall, aged 71.

SMART.—At Evergreen Lawn, Flushing, L. I., on Fourth day morning, Second month, 22d, WILLIAM SMART, in the 73d year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral

CUBAN AFFAIRS.

ARRIVAL OF THE HAVANA STEAM-SHIP MORRO CASTLE.

The Havana steam-ship *Morro Castle*, which left Havana on Feb. 18, reached this port via Nassau, N. P., yesterday. By the courtesy of Purser R. W. ALBERT, our special correspondence was promptly at hand.

The Curse of "Consejos"—Havana "Shoddy"—the Labor Question—The Persecuted Chinaman—Brief Mention.

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Saturday, Feb. 18, 1871.

All wars afford opportunities to commit frauds and do injustice. Numberless crimes and wrongs take place which are never punished, the law generally failing to reach the perpetrators; but it is very rarely that the Government of a nation appoints a Commission to rob its people or allow a the most contemptible tricks to be perpetrated by its employes without taking any steps to check the abuse. Such is, however, the case in Cuba. I refer in this instance to the so-called Council of embargoed properties (*Consejo de bienes Embargados,*) which is beyond a doubt the best managed institution for the interests of the chiefs and employes and the worst for the Government or people, in the world. It is barely possible that the abuses committed by this *Consejo* could have gone so long unpunished did not the higher officials of the Government wink and connive at the process. That a regular "Ring" exists in connection with this *Consejo* is very well known, and this Ring is composed of persons in every rank of life. The seized property of the Cubans is simply a fee for the present, as but few estates have been confiscated. The products of these embargoed estates nobody ever hears of, and it is only necessary to drive on the *paseo* on a Sunday afternoon, and see the carriages which formerly belonged to the intelligent PONCE DE LEON, the would-be financier MIGUEL EMBIL, the erudite CISNEROS, the humane DELMONTE and the slave-driving ALDAMA, occupied by some Government employe, military official, or pompous-looking grocer, to be enlightened. The *Voz de Cuba* has taken up the cudgels, and belabors the *Consejo* as much as the censorship will permit, laying particular stress on the appointment of Mr. GEORGE CRABB, a quasi American, formerly the bosom friend of ALDAMA and chief administrator of his estates. CRABB is a very intelligent planter and is now holding a position as inspector of seized plantations under this same *Consejo*, at a salary of $6,000 per annum, while other inspectors receive but half of that amount. It was rumored that the volunteers would make some collective demonstration against the *Consejo*, but those who are posted concerning Havana affairs, saw at once the impossibility of the thing. If the Casino which commands the volunteers does not do adything, the volunteers will remain quiet; most of the employes of the *Consejo* are volunteers or volunteer officers, and the Ring is principally recruited from the same element. Strong efforts are being made to seize all the embargoed estates and sell them for the benefit of the Island Treasury and reimburse the losses caused to Spaniards and loyal Cubans during the war, but VALMASEDA cannot countenance such proceedings at present, as they would destroy his plans and prevent many Cubans in the field and others now in foreign countries from coming again within the Spanish fold. If some of the New-York Cubans knew how many wealthy men have made underhand propositions to the Government through third parties, and have sounded the opinion of the Government as to whether they would be allowed to come back, be unmolested, and have their property returned, some astonishment would undoubtedly be caused. They see that no matter how the war may end they will be ruined, because the *Consejo* appropriates what the Government does not legally seize. The row which the *Voz de Cuba* has begun promises to be interesting, and if carried on with vigor some queer developments may be expected,

THE LABOR QUESTION.

The problem of the future of Cuba, the labor question, is always on the tapis, and the most ebimerical plans are proposed and resorted to to supply the want of field hands. Shades of departed slaves, what memories they awaken in the minds of the former slave-dealers and planters, and how they curse the nations which were instrumental in abolishing the traffic. The plan to bring Indians from Mexico must fail, because the Mexican Government, feeble as it is, can never permit that its citizens be sold into worse than slavery. Another project is to bring coolies from British India; but many planters say that they would never purchase any of that class, because the coolies would not allow themselves to be treated like negro slaves, and would undoubtedly rise when least expected. The latest plan is to import the subjects of the King of Anam, and the reason for their alleged usefulness and superiority is based on the fact that they are Christians. The introduction of a bona fide Christian element might be very beneficial to the island, as it is possible, although almost improbable, that the Anamites might convert the Cubans to Christianity. Else history would again repeat itself, and make Christians in the nineteenth century slaves of atheists and heathens. These are all plans, however, and none have been put into effect; therefore the planters try to make the most of the material on hand, and the manner of doing so is not particularly looked into. The Chinese who have served their contract time, (by no means a term of pleasure,) occupy themselves largely in trade or in commerce on a small scale. They have almost entirely absorbed the sale of cooked meats, the peddling of tin-ware, and analogous methods of earning a livelihood. As cooks the Chinese are preferred to all others, on account of their cleanly habits. Their bad habits are opium-smoking and gambling, and these vices are very prevalent among them. But I am wandering from the labor question. The *Voz de Cuba*, as the organ of the Cuban planters, published an editorial on Wednesday demanding a complete change of the laws and systems governing the Chinese in Cuba. The *Voz* wants some remedy against the demoralization of the Chinese, that is to say, against the running away of the Chinese from their owners; but it fails to state the causes which produce this mis-called demoralization, though it asks for a reform of the establishments wherein runaway Chinamen are confined. A runaway is captured somewhere in the interior, and is then placed in the nearest depot for such offenders. If the owner is not forthcoming within two or three months, he is sent to the central depot at Havana, where he is fed and clothed, and pays for his maintenance by working on the public roads and streets. The *Voz* complains that the Chinamen in the Government depot smoke opium; but why do the employes not stop it? The idea of the business is to send these Chinamen to the plantations, but the best way to avoid the demoralization of which the *Voz* complains would be for the Spaniards to stop buying, selling and importing them. Every crime brings its own punishment, and it is neither fair or logical to visit the sins of the planter on the heads of the Chinamen.

"REWARD OF MERIT."

The Government is now working to obtain the title of Grandee of Spain of the first class to the Cuban Marquis DE SAN MIGUEL as a reward for his fidelity to the Spanish cause, and for his fame as a successful ex-slaver, as a hard task-master to his slaves, and a shining light on the Chinese question and in the council of the ultras. Several other men of the same ilk are to receive decorations.

BRIEF MENTION.

VALMASEDA arrived at Cienfuegos on Friday night, and was received with a great deal of enthusiasm by the population. He was closeted for over an hour with several Cubans, who lately surrendered. During VALMASEDA's absence the Segundo Cabo, Gen. CARBO has charge of the Government....Among those killed who came in the *Hornet* were Mr. TOMAS ARCATO, a Venezuelan, and NICOLAS TANCO, most probably a Cuban. Masonic documents found on their persons proved Mr. ARCATO to belong to a Lodge in New-Granada, and Mr. TANCO to have been a member of St. George's Lodge, New-York. The surrender business has extended to the Eastern Department. According to a telegram from Santiago de Cuba, fifty-six insurgents surrendered to Capt. GUZMAN at Manzanillo. The telegram gives the names of three, viz.: VICENTE CABALLERO, AGUILERA and FRANCISCO MORIANO. ....The surrenders to Major ARAGON continue, twenty-five persons having surrendered to him on Thursday, of whom ten had been members of the band of JESUS DEL SOL....According to a telegram from Sancti Spiritus, published in the *Diario*, it is reported by surrendered Cubans that President CESPEDES, with a few followers, was making desperate efforts to leave the island by the north coast. This report has been stated so often, and always remained a report, that it is difficult to place any confidence in it. The other portion of the telegram, which states that dissensions exist among the Cuban leaders in the Central Department and Cinco Villas, is much more likely to be true....Three more negroes, two men and a woman, have been arrested as supposed accomplices in the assassination of the German, Mr. OBERBANER.

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BOARD OF HEALTH.

Violations of Quarantine—Foul Condition of the Streets—Coroners Disobeying the Law.

The Board of Health met yesterday in regular weekly session, instead of on Wednesday, which was a holiday; President BOSWORTH was in the chair, and Commissioners Barr, Ceccarini, Carnochan, Gross, Manierre, Mullaly, S. Smith, and H. Smith, being a full Board for the first time in many weeks.

Upon report of the Attorney, it was ordered that suits be commenced in five cases of violations of the Tenement-house act, thirty-two cases of non-compliance with the orders of the Board, and fifty-one cases of violations of Sanitary code.

There was nothing presented from the Sanitary Committee, and the great struggle over the dumping grounds was postponed. The Finance Committee reported a large number of bills, which were ordered to be paid, and it was also ordered that when approved by the Finance Committee the pay-rolls for February be paid. Upon motion of Mr. MANIERRE the Controller was requested to place $20,000 to the credit of the Board in the Tenth National Bank.

The Committee on Law and Ordinances reported back the petition and remonstrance against the use of a sweeping-machine in Essex and other narrow streets by railroad companies, with a recommendation that the Board take no action, but refer the matter to the Bureau of Ordinances, which was accordingly done.

The Register of Records presented a communication stating that the new Coroners have wholly failed since the 1st of January to comply with the law by making returns of inquests, and that the former Coroners also failed to make such returns. The matter was referred to the Committee on Law and Ordinances. The Register also reported that the code had been violated by the removal of a dead body from the steamer *Jesse Hoyt* without a permit, and the subject was referred to the Attorney.

A letter was read from Mr. SCHULTZE, United States Consul at Rotterdam, saying that small-pox is very prevalent and virulent in that city, and at the Hague. In connection with this subject, Dr. CARNOCHAN stated that small-pox is now raging in many quarters of the globe, and that several small vessels have in the past few days come into port through the Sound, and have been allowed to discharge at the City wharves without a Quarantine permit. Dr. CARNOCHAN said that it had been stated that one vessel with sickness on board had been able to pass Quarantine by handing himself or one of his deputies a $100 bill, which statement was entirely false, and he wished to give public notice to Captains and consignees that this method of evading Quarantine would prove futile. After discussion the subject was referred to the Sanitary Committee.

Commissioner STEPHEN SMITH moved that the Street-cleaning Committee speedily report what action, if any, the Board should take to improve the present condition of the streets. Dr. SMITH said that the streets, especially in tenement-house districts, are now filthy beyond all recent precedent, and something must be done or they will breed a pestilence. Commissioner BARR asked whether there is any money to clean the streets, to which President BOSWORTH promptly answered that there is none except the $500,000 which the City pays for not having them cleaned, which sum is in the hands of the Street-cleaning Commission. The resolution of Dr. SMITH was adopted.

City Sanitary Inspector MORRIS made a report showing that during the week ending Feb. 21, the following cases of contagious diseases occurred in the City: Typhus fever, 2; typhoid fever, 8; relapsing fever, 1; Scarlet fever, 82; small-pox, 34; measles, 58; diphtheria, 14.

A Police Roundsman Assaulted by a Patrolman.

JOSEPH MATHIAS was, until yesterday afternoon, a member of the Police Department, attached to the Fourth Precinct, and had always been considered a good and faithful officer. Being pretty well provided for in this world's goods, MATHIAS recently neglected his duties, and being found absent from his post by Roundsman PETER MELLY, was of course reported. The result was that charges were preferred against the culprit before the Board of Commissioners, and MATHIAS cited to appear for trial. The roundsman found occasion a day or two ago to again report MATHIAS for neglect of duty, and charges were preferred against the derelict officer.

Nothing was thought of the matter, however, as such proceedings are of frequent occurrence at the Fourth Ward, as the discipline of the Precinct is in a deplorable condition from some unknown cause. Yesterday afternoon Roundsman MELLY proceeded on his rounds, and found Officer MATHIAS at the corner of Madison and Oliver streets. He returned the patrolman's salute, and inquired if there was anything new. MATHIAS replied in the negative and remarked, "Well, so you've reported me again, have you?" "Yes," responded the roundsman. "Why did you do it?" asked the officer. "Because I couldn't find you on post," was the answer. The next moment, and without any other warning, except a smothered oath, the infuriated officer drew his club and began to rain a series of heavy blows on the head of the unfortunate roundsman, who half stunned and wholly confused by the unexpected attack, endeavored to escape from MATHIAS by running into RIELLY's saloon, near by, where he was shielded by some citizens.

Roundsman MELLY was very badly wounded by the infuriated officer, and rendered incapable of helping himself. MATHIAS was at once arrested by another officer, and taken to the Station-house in Pearl-street, where he flung down his shield of office in an insolent manner, and announced that he resigned his position, knowing very well that the Board of Commissioners would dismiss him from the force. Capt. ALLAIRE ordered MATHIAS to doff his uniform, and consider himself a prisoner. In due time Roundsman MELLY, having had his wounds properly dressed, appeared before Justice HOGAN, at the Tombs Police Court, and preferred a charge of felonious assault against MATHIAS, who appeared to be in a defiant mood. He demanded an examination, when the Magistrate decided to hold one on Sunday morning, at the same time permitting the accused to go on his own recognizance, a proceeding that appeared strange under the circumstances. The result of this case will probably be the speedy promotion of the roundsman to a Sergeantcy and imprisonment for the officer who so forgot himself and the Department as to assault a brother officer, who, in the line of his duty, had run counter to him.

Funeral of James H. Anderson.

The funeral of the late JAMES H. ANDERSON took place yesterday morning, from the Methodist Episcopal Church, Thirtieth-street, near Eighth-avenue. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. A. D. VAIL, pastor, and was attended by the relatives and personal friends of the deceased, who accompanied the remains to the grave, at Green-Wood Cemetery. The Scotia Lodge, No. 634, F. and A. M., and the Copestone Chapter, No. 203, R. A. M., attended in a body. Representatives were also present from Templar Lodge, No. 203, Tabernacle Lodge, No. 598, and Copestone Lodge, No. 641, F. and A. M. The members of the Lincoln Club, the New-York Caledonian Club and the Charles Club, to all of which the deceased belonged, attended the funeral at the church. The remains were inclosed in a handsome rosewood casket, with heavy silver mountings, and decorated with wreaths of immortelles. The pall-bearers consisted of members of Scotia Lodge.

The Carbolic Acid Poisoning Case—Action of the Coroner.

Deputy Coroners MARSH and CUSHMAN made a post-mortem examination yesterday on the body of Mrs. BRIDGET MAY, the unfortunate woman who came to her death by swallowing concentrated carbolic acid, at No. 28 New-Chambers-street, as already reported. The physicians ascertained that the immediate cause of death was gastritis, and found traces of the carbolic acid in the stomach. Coroner YOUNG has impaneled a jury and will hold an inquest on Wednesday next. It appears that a child of the deceased woman died a few days ago of scarlet fever, and after the removal of the remains for burial an employe of the Board of Health visited the premises, for the purpose of disinfecting them. He proceeded to sprinkle carbolic acid wherever it was feasible, and finally poured a quantity of the deadly acid into a bottle that had previously contained brandy. He, however, neglected to label the bottle or inform Mrs. MAY of the poisonous nature of the contents. The mother had another child til, which was ordered brandy punch. Mrs. MAY accordingly took up the bottle of acid, supposing it to be brandy, and prepared the punch. The odor struck her as peculiar, so she tasted the draught and swallowed about four drachms of the acid, living only thirty-five minutes after. She told her husband that the stuff burned her throat, and a physician was summoned, who, however, was powerless to aid her. The event created a great excitement among the residents of the neighborhood, who became much incensed against the Health Board officials for their negligence in the premises.

ERIE'S LATEST DEFEAT.

Judge Rosekrans' Decision Sustained at General Term.

A decision was given at the General Term of the Supreme Court for the Third Department, sitting at Albany, on Wednesday last, on the appeal from the decision of Judge ROSEKRANS in the suit of JOHN W. THOMPSON, MARY T. DE FORREST and others, against the Erie Railway Company. The appeal was heard before Justices MILLER, presiding, and POTTER and PARKER, who sustained the judgment of the lower Court, and dismissed the appeal by the following order: "The order of Special Term is affirmed as to SPETER's affidavit, and as to that is modified so that said affidavit be stricken out as irrelevant and impertinent, and not as scandalous."

Messrs. WM. A. BEACH and THOMAS G. SHEARMAN appeared in the suit for the appellants, and Messrs. JAMES EMOTT and FRANK THOMPSON for the plaintiffs. It is said that the Erie conspirators have become so vexed at Judge ROSEKRANS' decision that they have threatened to spend $100,000 toward defeating his re-election to the Bench. The following is that portion of his decision which the General Term has ordered to be modified:

"The affidavit of SAMUEL V. SPETER is wholly irrelevant to any matters presented in the affidavits on the part of the plaintiffs; it is just as foreign to the motion, and to any matter involved in it, as the affidavit of Mr. SHEARMAN, of the date of Nov. 17, 1870. It is impertinent and scandalous, and will be kept by the Clerk from the files of the Court, and will not be returned upon appeal as a part of the papers used upon this motion until the General Term, on the application of the defendant, shall order it filed and returned."

The Protestant Mother and Her Child—Vain Effort of a Catholic to Proselyte the Infant.

About six months ago the widow FLYNN, of Melrose, instituted proceedings in the Supreme Court to get possession of her child, which was retained by the grandmother. It appeared then, and was fully published in the TIMES, that JOHN FLYNN married the petitioner, and after having one child by her separated from her. He subsequently died and his mother retained the child, alleging that her son had left directions for her to do so in order that she might be brought up in the Catholic faith, which it would not be if given to its mother who is a Protestant. The transfer of the child to the mother was strenuously resisted, but Judge BARNARD decided that she should have her. Orders of the Court made to that effect were disregarded by the grandmother, until finally Judge BARNARD directed that the child should be taken by force. This was accordingly done, and the child was brought into Court, and yesterday, by peremptory order of Judge CARDOZO, sitting at Chambers, was transferred to the possession of its mother. The child is a bright little girl, now about four and a half years of age.

The Rights of Creditors.

Judge BLATCHFORD, of the United States District Court, rendered a decision, yesterday, in the matter of SAMUEL HANNA, an involuntary bankrupt, on a motion made by counsel for Mr. A. T. STEWART, one of his creditors, to be permitted to participate in the choice of assignee upon the sum of $105,075 23 alleged indebtedness. The motion was opposed by counsel for some of the other creditors. Judge BLATCHFORD held as follows: When a creditor has a mortgage or pledge of real or personal property of the bankrupt, or a lien thereon for securing the payment of a debt, owing to him from the bankrupt, he shall be admitted as a creditor only for the balance of the debt, after deducting the value of such property, to be ascertained by agreement between him and the assignee, or by a sale thereof, to be made in such manner as the Court shall direct.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

The only sales effected at the Exchange, yesterday, (Feb. 24,) were made by JAMES M. MILLER as follows: First, a Supreme Court sale in foreclosure, under the direction of FRANCIS M. SCOTT, Esq., referee, embracing the disposition of a one-fifth and one-tenth interest respectively in the following-named property, which interest was sold to the parties whose names are appended, at the prices annexed: One-tenth interest in a four-story brick store and lot, located on the south-east corner of Pearl-street and Burling-slip, known as No. 240 Pearl; lot 22 feet 6 inches front by about 56 feet in depth; sold to E. A. HAMILTON for $1,550; one-tenth interest in a four-story brick store and lot adjoining above, known as No. 242 Pearl-street, building and lot similar, sold to the same purchaser for $1,050; one-fifth interest in a three-story brick store and lot, No. 344 Bowery, west side, next lot but one to the south-west corner of Great Jones-street, lot 26 feet 6 inches front by about 112 feet deep, sold to ROBT. IRWIN for $3,000: one-fifth in two-story and attic brick-front store and lot, No. 8 Orchard-street, south-east corner of Canal-street, lot 17 by 48, sold to ROBERT IRWIN for $1,200. The interests disposed of as named above were those belonging to DAVID JACKSON, as one of the heirs of HENRY JACKSON, deceased, and after the sale of these interests, therefore to, the auctioneer disposed of all other interests in and to any property in the City of New-York belonging to the said DAVID JACKSON for $15, the purchaser being Dr. JACKSON. The second sale made by Col. MILLER, also one in foreclosure by order of the Supreme Court, under the direction of ROBERT SUTHERLAND, Esq., referee, comprised a large plot of ground located on the south side of Front-street, running through to South, between Gouverneur and Jackson streets. The plot is 70 by 40, and erected upon it is a brick sugar-house, five stories in height. The mortgage foreclosed under which the property was sold amounted to $32,489, and the price realized, including this sum, was $82,489. The premises were purchased by JOHN OCKERSHAUSEN, BROTHERS. No further sales were effected, and an adjournment by ROBERTS & MCGUIRE until Monday of the sale of the tenement property on Thirty-fifth-street, completed the business of the day.

No sales of note are advertised to take place today at the Exchange, but those projected for next week are again numerous and of importance. We shall, therefore, as was the case last week, again publish in this column on Monday next a complete record of the transactions proposed for the week to come.

Exchange Sales, Friday, Feb. 24.

NEW-YORK.

By James M. Miller.

1-10 interest in 4-story brick store and lot, No. 240 Pearl-st. s. e. corner of Burling-slip, lot 22.6 x57.5 x20.6 x54.4 ..... $1,550

1-10 interest in 4-story brick store and lot, No. 242 Pearl-st., adjoining above, 22.6 s. of Burling-slip, lot 22.6x54.4x22.11x53.2 1,050

1-5 interest in 3-story brick store and lot, No. 344, e. s. of Bowery, 26.6 s. of Great Jones-st., lot 26.4x107.10x25x115.8 3,000

1-5 interest in 2-story and attic brick front store and lot, No. 8 Orchard-st., s. e. corner of Canal-st., lot 17x48 1,200

5-story brick building and plot of ground, e. s. of Front-st., running through to South-st., between Gouverneur and Jackson sts., plot 78x40 32,489

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West 53d-st., near 5th-av.	30,000
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IDAHO, Capt. PRICE.....March 22, at 3 P. M.
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Cabin passage, $80, gold.
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Royal Mail Steamers are appointed to sail as follows:
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.....Tuesday, March 7, 1 P. M.
CITY OF LONDON.....Saturday, Mar. 11, 9 A. M.
CITY OF BRUSSELS.....Saturday, Mar. 18, 2 P. M.
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ENGLAND, WEBSTER, Saturday, Feb. 25, at 9 A. M.
HELVETIA, GREIG, Saturday, March 4, at 2 P. M.
DENMARK, ANDREWS, Saturday, Mar. 11, at 5 A. M.
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VIRGO, Capt. BULKLEY, TUESDAY, Feb. 28, from Pier No. 16 East River, at 3 P. M.
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UNION-SQUARE NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, NO. 23 UNION-SQUARE, NEW-YORK, Feb. 20, 1871.
AT AN ELECTION OF DIRECTORS, held on the 18th inst. the following-named gentlemen were unanimously elected for the ensuing year:
HENRY BEECKMAN, JOHN R. CECIL,
JAS. R. WHITING, J. A. MONHEIMER,
T. S. READ, G. L. BEECKMAN,
SAMUEL SHETHAR, GRATZ NATHAN,
F. M. BIXBY, THEODORE MOSS,
J. A. MILLER, B. H. BIXBY,
T. A. BANCKER.
At a subsequent meeting of the Board of Directors, held this day, HENRY BEECKMAN, Esq., was unanimously re-elected President.
M. T. BRUNDAGE, Cashier.

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Union Pacific Railroad Company will be held at the office of the Company, in Boston, on WEDNESDAY, the 8th March, 1871, at 10 o'clock A. M., to elect officers for the ensuing year. The transfer-books will be closed in Boston, and at the transfer office in New-York, on Saturday, Feb. 25, at 2 o'clock P. M.
OLIVER AMES, President.
BOSTON, Feb. 4, 1871.

AN ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKholders of the Sherbrooke Gold Mining Company, of Nova Scotia, for the election of Trustees, will be held at the office of the Company, No. 50 Cliff-st., on WEDNESDAY, the 1st day of March next, at 12 o'clock M. By order.
H. CUNNINGHAM, Secretary.

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WINSLOW, LANIER & CO.,
No. 27 Pine-st.,
offer for sale the Seven per cent. First Mortgage Bonds of the GRAND RAPIDS AND INDIANA RAILROAD COMPANY—principal and interest payable in Gold, free of Government tax; interest, coupon or registered, payable in January and July, in New-York. These Bonds are secured by a first mortgage on the road, and by a Mortgage on a LAND GRANT of
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PITTSBURG, FORT WAYNE AND CHICAGO RAILWAY COMPANY,
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The road extends northerly from Fort Wayne into Michigan. More than 200 miles are completed and in operation.
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Price 92 1-2 per cent. and accrued interest in currency.

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CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS, CINCINNATI AND INDIANAPOLIS RAILWAY COMPANY,
CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 8, 1871.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of this Company for the election of Directors, and for the transaction of other business, will be held at the office of the Company, in Cleveland, Ohio, on WEDNESDAY, March 1, 1871, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M.
The transfer-books will be closed from the evening of Feb. 18 until March 2.
GEO. H. RUSSELL, Secretary.

CHICAGO MORTGAGES, PAYING 9 nine and ten per cent., strictly first-class, for sale by JACOB R. SHIPHERD & CO., Bankers, No. 24 Pine-st.

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Money deposited NOW will draw interest from MARCH FIRST at the rate of six per cent. on all sums exceeding $5.
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Nos. 396 and 398 CANAL-ST., corner of Laight.
SIX PER CENT. interest on $5 to $5,000.
ASSETS, $8,670,343 83.

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MARBLE AND MARBLEIZED MANTELS of the latest imported patterns. Monuments at reduced prices. A. KLABER, Steam Marble Works, No. 134 East 13th-st., near 3d-av., N. Y.

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NO. 41 EAST 21ST-ST.—A THIRD-STORY hall room, nicely furnished, to let with board to a gentleman; references exchanged.

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THE COAL PANIC.

Alarming Facts About the Coal Question.

Less Than Two Weeks' Supply in the City.

Disastrous Effect Upon Business---Great Economy Necessary---Retailers Exorbitant---Consumers Aghast.

The excitement concerning the coal question has fairly overspread the country. Every section outside of the coal-mining districts is greatly perturbed in consequence. Probably no other coalition in this country, if we may except the gold corner of the memorable "black Friday," has caused such a sudden and deep alarm as this combination to put up the price of coal. A very brief consideration seems to justify this condition of the public pulse, which at this moment beats feverishly.

Unless we have all been grossly misinformed, (which is scarcely possible,) there is reason to believe that the very meagre supply of our entire coal market for the million and a half of people in New-York and adjacent cities will be exhausted within two weeks. The most reliable estimate places the total supply on hand at less than 200,000 tons. The daily consumption of 15,000 tons will soon exhaust this store. Unless the empty yards are then replenished, there will be a suffering scarcely less than that of a famine for the lack of food. At the very season of the year when Winter sheds its icy coat, and the chill, damp winds and mists of Spring succeed,—just when we need the artificial heat to temper the unfriendly atmosphere of wind and storm, we are threatened with this kind of famine. Human flesh and blood can not endure such deprivation. The very young and tender and the aged and infirm will sink into disease and death, and the most vigorous and hardy will succumb to any protracted test of this kind. Nor is this in any degree a sensational statement. Facts cannot be ignored in this matter. Without coal we are without any fuel. Without fuel we are unable to have proper food. We cannot bear the sudden change from warmth and comfort in our homes to chills and discomfort. The result can be foreseen without any more words.

THE COAL MARKETS.

Yesterday, the TIMES reporters made inquiries at the offices of the principal coal dealers in the wholesale and retail trade. The result overreached anticipation. With one or two exceptions, the wholesale dealers are entirely bare of stock, and what little remains melts away like water under the importunate demands of retailers. The prices were, at the latest quotation, $14 per ton for the best, and $13 for the second quality. Some of the large coal operators have been worried out of all patience by swarms of pertinacious busybodies who fairly peppered them with all sorts of questions. To such, these gentlemen became hardened to reticence, but were quite free to render every information to dealers and reporters. An officer of the Pennsylvania Coal Company said: "We have not a ton of coal on hand. We wish we had a million. We do not believe in nor wish this state of affairs. We know that our real interests are allied with those of the people. We really make more money with a good selling market at reasonable prices than otherwise. We had 300 tons this morning, but now it is all gone. We sold that in single tons to the poor at $6 50 per ton.

THE CAUSE OF THE TROUBLE.

The cause of the trouble, Sir, be continued, is not with us. To be sure we have been in fault in former times; but we know that the best terms that we give our men are an exchange for the best results from them to us. We are now paying larger wages in proportion to the price of coal than ever before. In December, 1865, when we were selling immense quantities at high prices and great profit, we paid for the mining of fifty tons the price of a barrel of flour and a barrel of pork. This month we have been paying the same amount for the mining of forty-two and one-half tons.

By the Delaware and Hudson, Scranton, Lackawanna and other Companies, although they carry on their operations in various distinct methods and under different circumstances, about the same proportions have been maintained.

THE COAL-YARDS.

A glance at most of the coal-yards in this City and vicinity adds to our alarm. Their total stock allows but about one ton for about every twenty persons. Vast bins and spacious yards and sheds that are generally filled to overflowing, at this time, for the most part nearly empty. In one instance the yard laborers dug up the earth and sifted out the imbedded pieces that usually are trampled under foot unnoticed.

THE RAILROADS, STEAMERS AND FACTORIES.

The shock that this sudden stoppage has sent out reaches to the most remote interests in the land. Every steam engine and boiler that is fed by this kind of fuel is already feeling the pinch. Steam-boats, factories, foundries, gas-houses, locomotives, and other motive powers are seized with this panic. Six days' stint will be likely to close many establishments which actually and solely depend on coal for steam-power. As a consequence of the strike, all the coal-trains, except those for the use of railroads that own mines, have stopped running, and the hands are idle.

THE STRIKE OF THE MINERS.

It seems that the Union now has complete control over all the miners. These are a hardy, plain, and stubborn set altogether, under the control of a few crafty leaders, and unapproachable through any other agency. For a long time during the war they earned from $5 to $7 per day; even young lads earned $2 per day. That was when the navy consumed an enormous quantity of fuel. Thousands of farm-laborers then and thus sprung into the business. Now, of course, that there is an excess of labor, prices cannot be kept up, and the men will not seek other employment.

HOW LONG WILL THIS LAST?

There seems to be a great conflict of opinion among dealers as to the duration of this strike. But all declare it impracticable to obtain a supply elsewhere than from Pennsylvania. It is thought by a certain class that the Schuylkill district will soon be worked again, because the necessities of the miners will force them into it. Even the most independent of them cannot long bear the pressure. Besides, the clamor of all the side-interests of the country trade there will have an influence. It has been remarked that Cumberland coal is now delivered on board of vessels at Baltimore, at $5 per ton; the freight is $2 to $2 50 per ton, and this, with insurance added, makes the price $7 50 per ton delivered alongside the wharf here. In about two weeks the Chesapeake and Delaware and the Delaware and Raritan Canals will be open, after which coal can be delivered here from Baltimore at a cost of less than $7 per ton. But that will not avail for the present emergency.

A person here supposed to be a mouth-piece of the striking miners declares that the present movement will be maintained until their point is gained, and that they intend to make no concessions. Usually only from ten to twenty thousand persons are thrown out of employment when work is stopped at the mines—and this is bad enough—but now many thousands of workmen in the furnaces and rolling-mills, and employes on railroads, will have to remain idle until the mines are going again.

LATEST SHIPMENTS FROM THE MINES.

The Mauch Chunk papers state that "up to the close of last week there has been transported south from here, over both railroads, since the 1st of January, 143,380.14 tons. Last week the shipments amounted to 3,861.15 tons, being 1,090.16 tons more than the preceding week. The corresponding week last year 62,844.11 tons were sent south from here, and the total for last year to this time was 415,850.05 tons. In comparing the shipments of the past week and the present year with corresponding dates of last year we find a decrease for the week of 1871 of 58,982.16 tons, and a decrease for the present year of 273,169.08 tons.

It is stated by the Shamokin (Penn.) *Herald* that work has been resumed at seventeen collieries in Pennsylvania, but not a ton of the coal produced can reach the New-York market so long as the railroad conspiracy continues.

CUMBERLAND COAL.

It is not generally known that for ordinary household uses, with proper care, Cumberland coal is an effectual substitute for anthracite. The more general use of the latter for domestic purposes has thrown the soft coal chiefly into the hands of manufacturers and the steam-ship companies, but it is now likely to be largely employed elsewhere. It is represented that the proposed repeal of the duty on foreign coal would not materially affect the present condition of the market here, as there is a lack of appliances for mining in the British Provinces, and of vessels for conveying the coal to American ports; therefore, the anthracite conspiracy could not be put down in this manner. The repeal of the duty, it is argued, would be injurious to the Cumberland interest, which is now prepared to put its coal upon the market at reasonable rates.

IRRESISTIBLE FACTS.

Everybody in and about the City is thoroughly alarmed at the prospect, and realizes the necessity for the most stringent economy in fuel. The very cinders and ashes will be utilized by those who never before had thought of such an emergency. It is said that many grocerymen who have been in the habit of selling coal to the very poor by the peck, now refuse to sell it at all. Those who continue to sell in this manner charge twenty-eight or thirty cents per bucketful, or about $30 per ton for the fuel required by one-half the population of these two great cities—the hundreds of thousands who live in tenement-houses and have neither coal-cellars nor the means to buy more than a bucketful at a time. This is a startling outlook, but it is not an extravagant estimate. The consequences of such a state of things are not difficult to foresee. Great suffering, sickness, contention, possibly riot may ensue.

THE PANIC IN BROOKLYN.

The coal famine in Brooklyn has seized upon the public mind with great and sudden force. At the principal yards, yesterday, coal was being sold for $14 per ton, and much of that was not of the best quality. The carts seemed very busy in replenishing the exhausted stock of dwellings and factories. The retailers are following the example of New-York contemporaries, and charge enormous rates for small quantities. One of the worst features of the case, however, lies in the determination that has been expressed by many of the large foundry men and manufacturers to stop work if the panic should continue. If this takes place, the state of things produced among the laboring classes will be miserable in the extreme; especially will this be so in the eastern portion of the city, where most of the inhabitants are dependent for a living upon the work they get in factories, refineries, &c.

COAL IN NEW-JERSEY.

Jerseymen are aroused to a sense of the great coal famine by the vacant yards, empty bins and depleted heaps. In many places the supply is already exhausted. A train came in yesterday, and crowds clamored around it at every station. On arriving at Paterson the demands of the people almost merged into forcible seizure. It was found necessary to place guards over the property. Large quantities of wood, cinders and other refuse are used for fuel. In Jersey City the scarcity is peculiarly severe.

THE OPERATORS AND MINERS.

Meeting of Schuylkill Operators at Philadelphia Yesterday—An Address to the People—Review of the Relations of Operators and Miners Since April, 1870.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 24.—At a meeting of coal operators today, the following address to the public was adopted:

Systematic representations by officers of the Working Men's Benevolent Association have rendered it necessary for the operators in the Schuylkill region to call the attention of the public to the facts in the matter, and to show as briefly as possible the causes which have led them finally to determine on being masters of their own property. Omitting many misunderstandings occurring previous to the grand strike of April, 1870, we will endeavor to show how unreasonable the men were at that time.

THE SLIDING SCALE OF 1869.

The basis of 1869 was on a sliding scale upward from $3 at Port Carbon; that is to say, a rate of wages was fixed, based on coal being worth in the market $3 per ton at that point. The sizes taken in the average were lump, steam-boat, broken, egg, stove and chestnut; while pea, which constitutes a proportion of the production of each colliery was not permitted to be embraced in the average because it never ruled so much below other sizes, and only ten per cent. of aggregate quantity was permitted to be estimated as chestnut coal. When that basis was fixed the prices of all necessary articles of living were much higher than in 1870, and in the general decline in market values coal was not accepted. So soon, therefore, as production was fairly resumed in the Spring of 1870, the price of coal fell much below $3, and an effort was made to so alter the basis as to have it decline as well as advance with the market. Our effort was treated with contempt, the Committee of the Working Men's Benevolent Association claiming that they would stop work when the price of coal went below their basis, and thus by diminishing production to regulate trade that $3 would be the minimum average at which coal would be sold.

IMPOSITIONS OF THE MINERS' ASSOCIATION.

Pending this effort at an adjustment of wages, the collieries were stopped by order of the Working Men's Benevolent Association, on one and another pretext, with the consent of the owner, the edict of the Committee of their Association rendering it impossible to find workmen willing to incur their displeasure. During the entire existence of this Association it has been impossible for the operator to discharge from his employ any one of the members, without its certainly resulting in an entire suspension of all his work. Whatever was the cause of dismissal, operators would be waited upon by a committee of the Branch Association of the Working Men's Benevolent Association, and be ordered to restore the workman to his former position. On the other hand, if an operator has in his employ a man, not a member of the Association, or one, who is a member and fails to pay his dues on an order of the Working Men's Benevolent Association, all their members cease to work at that place, and the colliery necessarily lies idle. The certain loss in working our collieries and selling coal below the basis, while wages continued at that point, determined us to insist upon a new basis, rising and falling with the price of coal above and below $3 in exact ratio.

THE GOWEN COMPROMISE.

The result was an entire suspension of work for over four months, and finally a compromise, on which resumption was effected on the following terms, known as the Gowen compromise:

POTTSVILLE, July 22, 1870.

Resolved, That we, the members of the Working Men's Benevolent Association do offer to our employers of Schuylkill County to start on the basis of 1869, when coal is worth $3 per ton in Port Carbon.

Resolved, That when coal brings $3 25, on demand eight and one-fourth per cent. of an advance; $3 50, sixteen and one-half per cent. of an advance; $3 75, twenty-four and three-fourths per cent. of an advance; $4, thirty-three per cent. of an advance.

Resolved, That when coal falls below the basis of 1869, say to $2 75, we accept a reduction of eight and one-fourth per cent.; when to $2 50, sixteen and one-half per cent.; $2 25, twenty-four and three-fourths per cent.; $2, thirty-three per cent., and nothing lower.

Resolved, That any miners working on contract, after they start, earning over $100 per month be reduced 10 per cent.; $125 and over, 20 per cent.; $150 and over, 30 per cent.; $200 per month, if there be any, 40 per cent.

Resolved, That the above figures shall be taken from six grades of coal, pea coal not included.

Resolved, That these resolutions be handed to T. B. GOWEN, Esq., President of the Reading Railroad Company. (Signed,) JOHN SINEY, President.
GEORGE CORBETT, Secretary.

ANOTHER AGREEMENT.

With the following agreement, made at Pottsville the 29th of July, 1870, between the Committee of the Anthracite Board of Trade and the Committee of the Working Men's Benevolent Association:

It is agreed that the Working Men's Benevolent Association shall not sustain any man who is discharged for incompetency, bad workmanship or bad conduct, or good cause, and that the operators shall not discharge any man or officer for actions or duties imposed upon him by the Working Men's Benevolent Association.

It is further agreed, that the spirit and intention of the resolution called the Equalization resolution, passed by the Working Men's Benevolent Association, is that each man shall work regularly, and it is the place of bosses and operators to see that he does. The resolution is, that any miner earning above expenses over $100, and less than $125, shall be reduced ten per cent. on the basis; earning over $125, and under $150, shall be reduced twenty per cent. on the basis; earning over $150, and under $200, to be reduced thirty per cent. on the basis; earning over $200, to be reduced forty per cent. on the basis.

To obtain the price of coal monthly, the President of the Anthracite Board of Trade and the President of the Working Men's Benevolent Association of Schuylkill County, shall meet on the 20th day of each month and select five operators, who shall, on the 25th instant following, produce a statement, sworn or affirmed to, of the prices of coal at Port Carbon for all sizes above pea-coal. The five shall be selected from a list of those shipping over 40,000 tons annually, and none shall be selected a second time until the list is exhausted. The prices of coal so obtained shall fix the rates of wages for that month, and this agreement in regard to the mode of obtaining prices, shall remain in force during the year 1870.

Signed: Wm. Kendrick, J. K. Sigfried, M. P. Fowler, Samuel E. Griscom, Baird Snyder, John Lirey, George Corbett, George Athey, James Berry and Robert Wrightman.

WORK RESUMED—OBSTRUCTIONS.

The region started work on the 2d of August, but every obstacle was thrown in the way of their Committee on the adjustment of wages, based on the average sales of coal. Work was, however, continued during the balance of the year, according to our agreement.

WAGES OF MINERS.

A great deal has been said and published in relation to the wages earned by miners and laborers under the Gowen Compromise. Day labor can be calculated by any one, but earnings of miners under contract work, can only be arrived at from pay-rolls. We have taken the trouble to get the earnings of the miners working by contract, from the pay-rolls of five of the largest collieries in the region, which show the following result:

Average per day for August, in 1870, $4 29 1-5 on $2 75 for coal.
Average, September, 1870, $4 14 3-5 on $2 50 for coal.
Average October, 1870, $4 05 1-5 on $2 50 for coal.

These men did not work more than an average of seven hours per day, and worked twenty-seven days in August, twenty-six in September, and twenty-six in October, making average net earnings per man, after all his expenses are deducted from August, at $115 88; September, $107 79; October, $105 85. Miners working by day are exceptional cases, and are only employed in repairing damaged breasts, replacing timber, and such other job work as cannot be let out by contract, and amounts to a trifling percentage of a month's roll pay; in fact, a day's wages paid both laborer and miner will not average one-fourth of the expense of the cost of production.

EMPLOYMENT AND DISCHARGE OF MEN.

In regard to their agreement relating to the operator having control of his colliery, as to employing and discharging workmen, we have yet to hear of one instance where it has been lived up to; but we know of many where it has been violated.

THE BASIS OF 1871.

In November, 1870, a committee of the Anthracite Board of Trade, and the Working Men's Benevolent Association entered into the following recommendation for the year 1871:

After considerable discussion about the condition of the canal trade, and the prospects for 1871, a proposition to adjust wages as follows was agreed upon unanimously by two committees to form the basis for coal at Port Carbon, at $3 20. Outside wages to be $2 per week; inside wages to be $10 per week; miners, day's work, $2 per week; contract work to be reduced 15½ per cent. from the present basis, and the reduction or addition of percentage to be graded on the new price thus formed; the advance or decline to be graded on the $2 50 basis at the rate of one per cent. for three cents raise or fall in the price of coal. The Committee on the part of the Anthracite Board of Trade and the Working Men's Benevolent Association respectfully recommend the adoption of the above proceedings, that satisfactory arrangements be made with the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company for a fair reduction on the tolls.

Anthracite Board of Trade—Geo. W. Cole, Daniel B. Miller, Bairdi Snyder, Wm. F. Patterson, William Gilpin, Wm. Kendrick.

Working Men's Benevolent Association—Jas. Ryan, Jno. J. McVeigh, Jno. P. Francis, Edward Keating, Peter Murry, Jno. Siney.

THE JANUARY STRIKE.

This was subsequently agreed to by the men, but on the 1st of December the mining companies of the Lackawanna region determined to reduce the wages of their workmen, which resulted in the suspension, and an appeal on the part of their men to those of other regions to sustain them in their position by joining in the strike. By order of the General Council total suspension took place on the 10th of January last.

On Jan. 25, the delegates of the Working Men's Benevolent Association, in Schuylkill County, passed the following resolution (No. 12:)

That we, the working men of Schuylkill County, do strictly adhere to the $3 basis so long as those of Luzerne and Carbon work with us in good faith. If Luzerne and Carbon do not work with us in good faith, that we then make such agreement as will be best for our own welfare.

OPERATORS TO CONTROL THEIR OWN BUSINESS.

This was in direct violation of their agreement of November. In the meantime, several meetings were held in New-York between coal operators, carrying companies and large consumers, resulting finally in the adoption, on Feb. 23, of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Schuylkill region offer to the men of their district for the year 1871, $2 50, the basis as agreed upon in November last, sliding up and down at the rate of one per cent. advance and decline upon wages and coal, as were for every three cents per ton advance and decline in the price of coal at Port Carbon; provided, that men shall not be paid at a higher rate than, under this basis, they would be entitled to when coal is $3 per ton at Port Carbon, until the regions agree to work.

Resolved, That the Lehigh region offer to their men the following rates for the year 1871: When coal is $5 per ton on board at Elizabeth or Port Johnson, the outside wages to be from $9 to $10 50; inside wages from $11 to $12; miners' wages, $14, and contract work 15½ per cent. less than the $5 basis of work; with an advance or decline of 12½ per cent. on wages and contract work for every dollar in advance or decline in the price of coal at Elizabethport or Port Johnson; provided, that until all regions go to work, no higher rate of contract work shall be paid than the men would be entitled to receive upon the new basis when coal is $5 per ton, on board, at Elizabethport or Port Johnson.

Resolved, That the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company, the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Company and the Pennsylvania Coal Company continue their present offer, with a right to modify it from time to time, so as to make wages paid by them as nearly equivalent as practicable to what might, for the time being, be paid in the Schuylkill and Lehigh regions.

Resolved, That any region may go to work upon the above terms being accepted by their men, but that no region shall commence mining the men of such region shall have accepted the said terms.

Resolved, That we are united in opposing any interference by workmen, or their Association, with the management and control of our works, and will insist upon this the abandonment of their claims to control.

It is believed the above rules will be as nearly as possible equal in all the regions, and will pay workmen of the Schuylkill region fully as high wages as they earned under the Gowen compromise.

The public must perceive that the great point in dispute between us is that while the working men are determined that coal shall not go below $3 at Port Carbon, the operators claim and insist upon the advantage of the increased consumption derived from low prices, and which shall be regulated purely by supply and demand.

When the workmen determine to accept this just and equitable basis to be offered them tomorrow, we hope and believe that it will obviate many of the difficulties heretofore experienced, and that we will be enabled to go on without interruption, thus insuring a steady supply of coal at fair prices for all concerned.

The above was ordered to be published by the Committee of Fifteen of the coal operators of the Schuylkill region.

MAY WOMEN INSURE?

Lecture by Mr. Alexander Delmar Before the Liberal Club—Statistics of Life and Maternity.

At the meeting of the Liberal Club last evening, Mr. ALEXANDER DELMAR, late Director of the United States Bureau of Statistics, read a very interesting paper on statistics of life and maternity, the object being to show that insurance companies in the United States are incorrect in assuming that women are subject to greater risk of death than men. The lecturer quoted the authority of Dr. RUSSELL, Registrar of Records, to the effect that insurance companies are incorrect in assuming that women, during their child-bearing period, are subject to greater risk of death than men during the parallel period of life. Such an opinion is not founded on facts. Mr. DELMAR read several statistics in support of his theory, of which the following bear directly on the subject, and are interesting in other points of view:

POPULATION OF NEW-YORK IN 1870.

Males, 459,819; females, 482,433. Average rate of mortality per 1,000 in each of the years 1866 to 1870:

	Male Rate.	Female Rate.
1866	30.3	29.2
1867	30.3	24.5
1868	31.4	25.6
1869	30.6	25.5
1870	31.5	26.3

Deaths in the City of New-York during the quinquennial period, 1866-70:

DEATHS BY AGES.

	Males.	Females.
Birth to 20	38,636	34,124
20 to 45	15,692	12,102
45 and over	13,022	11,367
Total	67,712	59,493

DEATHS BY CAUSES.

	Males.	Females.
Zymotic	20,145	18,743
Constitutional	15,014	14,316
Local	25,306	20,975
Development	2,728	4,462
Violence	3,519	1,047
Total	67,712	59,493

DEATHS BY CAUSES; TWENTY TO FORTY-FIVE.

	Males.	Females.
Zymotic	5,663	2,535
Constitutional	5,704	5,527
Local	5,491	4,653
Development	88	748
Violence	1,756	331
Total	15,692	14,102

Deaths from forty-five to fifty-five: Males, 4,118; females, 2,781.

The lecturer quoted further statistics to show that for one woman who dies from delirium tremens five men are taken off. He attributed the reluctance to insure female lives to a belief in the English Actuaries' tables, which give a greater expectancy for males from twenty to forty years than for women, but these tables were founded on a very limited number of female lives who were insured in England.

Mr. W. D. WHITING admitted that women were longer-lived than men, but that the particular class of women who resort to insurance on their lives are not so. This has been proved beyond any question whatever, which is the cause of charging that class one-half of one percent. more than the rate for men of the same age.

Other members having addressed the Club, the meeting adjourned.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

NEW-YORK.

Mr. MUNSON A. TREADWELL, lately an Assessor in the Sixth Revenue District, gave a bond in the sum of $100,000 before Commissioner SHIELDS, yesterday, for the faithful performance of his duties as Collector of the new consolidated district composed of the Fourth and Thirty-second Districts, to which position he has just been appointed by the President. His sureties were Ex-Congressman THOMAS E. STEWART, JAMES W. BOOTH, Mr. WILLIAMS, and others. The bond was forwarded to Washington for approval.

JOHN LOFTUS, a resident of Brooklyn, aged twenty-one years, entered the store of KEARNEY BROTHERS, No. 70 New Chambers-street, on Thursday to order some goods for his father. While he was in the store Mr. JOHN KEARNEY opened the money-drawer in his presence, and both soon after left the premises. One of the employes named JOHN RYAN subsequently saw LOFTUS come back and loiter near the drawer, which was found empty when next examined. As Mr. KEARNEY had deposited $400 in money and a check for $78 in the drawer, he caused the arrest of LOFTUS, and arraigned him before Justice HOGAN, at the Tombs. The prisoner strenously asserted his innocence, but the Magistrate decided to hold him for trial in the sum of $1,000 bail.

By reference to another column, it will be observed that the ship *Golconda*, from Monrovia, yesterday put into this port in a leaky condition, having struck on Nantucket Shoals on the evening of Feb. 20. The vessel was bound to Boston from Monrovia, in Liberia. By letters from Monrovia we were informed that a native African chief named JACOB VONBRUNN was to sail in the *Golconda*. He was educated at Sierra Leone by a German, whose name he took. He was coming to the United States to awaken a deeper interest in behalf of African missions. An unusual call has been made by powerful Kings for schools and teachers. We do not find this name in the list of passengers.

FOR SOME months past Messrs. D. HAAS' Sons, at No. 122 Church-street, JACOB WAHL, of No. 82 Lispenard-street, and WM. MAAS & Co., No. 44 Lispenard-street, have been constantly missing small packages of goods from their respective stores. Detective FIELD, of the Fifth Ward, concealed himself in the premises of MAAS & Co., and detected the charwoman, Hannah CATHARINE LEHAN, in the act of stealing a small quantity of cheap jewelry. He arrested her, and on examining her lodgings, at No. 23 Watts-street, found a large quantity of miscellaneous goods which had been stolen from the stores in which she had been employed. When arraigned before Justice HOGAN, CATHARINE was fully committed for trial.

ISAAC PAYOR, of No. 1 Vandam-street, a man of suspicious character, was arrested in Clarkson-street, yesterday, by the Twenty-eighth Precinct Police, and found in possession of $300 worth of goods stolen from the store of WM. ADLER, No. 117 Varick-street. The premises had been feloniously entered during Thursday night, and the entire stock of the occupant carried off. PAYOR will be arraigned before a Magistrate today.

IDA ROY, aged twenty-three, residing at No. 214 West One Hundred and Twenty-eighth-street, was arrested, yesterday, by Detective SYMINGTON, on a charge of having stolen a gold watch and chain valued at $200 from LIZZIE WHITE, of No. 77 Henry-street. The larceny was committed on the 10th ult., and as the prisoner confessed her guilt, Justice HOGAN held her for trial.

THOMAS MALONEY, a railroad agent, at No. 1 Astor House, and residing in Jersey City, yesterday caused the arrest of ELLEN CONNELL, his servant, on a charge of having stolen a quantity of wearing apparel, valued at $26. As the woman confessed her guilt she was held for trial by Justice HOGAN.

MINNIE DE FOREST, of No. 56 Catharine-street, met JOHN MCNALLY, of No. 411 East Sixteenth-street, on Wednesday evening, in Chatham-street, and while holding him in conversation stole a wallet containing $40 from his pantaloons pocket. She was arrested yesterday, and Justice HOGAN held her to answer the charge.

The Tenth Assembly District Grant Club met for the first time last evening, in their elegant new head-quarters at No. 28 Avenue A. Resolutions were passed indorsing and commending President GRANT'S Administration, and recognizing the necessity of reorganizing the Republican Party in this City.

Coroner HERRMAN held an inquest yesterday, at No. 106 Orchard-street, in the case of JENNIE DENIS, aged two years, who came to her death by scalds sustained the day before by falling into a pan of hot water. A verdict of accidental death was duly rendered.

Coroner YOUNG has assumed charge of the case of GEORGE BAUMAN, the German who died at Bellevue Hospital from a wound in the head inflicted by THOMAS MCGRATH with an ax. The inquest will be held on Monday next, when the case will be fully investigated.

Rev. T. DE WITT TALMAGE has returned from his visit to his family at the South, with the report that Mrs. TALMAGE'S health is so greatly improved the prospect is she will be able to resume permanent residence in Brooklyn.

At the North German General Consulate yesterday, $150 was received in aid of the German Relief fund, the proceeds of a prize-drawing for a watch and two paintings at No. 509 Sixth-avenue.

Choral services in the free Episcopal Church of St. Mary the Virgin, West Forty-fifth-street, to-morrow, at 10½ A. M., 4 P. M. and 7½ P. M.

It is rumored that Rev. WM. MCALISTER, the popular pastor of the Allen-street M. E. Church, is soon to be made a Presiding Elder.

BROOKLYN.

Officer CAMPBELL, of the Third Precinct, undertook to shoot a vicious dog on Atlantic-avenue, near Nevins-street, on Thursday night, but, having an unsteady hand, he missed the animal and struck Officer HARRINGTON, who was walking on the opposite side of the way. The wound inflicted, however, was not of a severe character.

JAMES RYAN, residing at No. 221 Navy-street, on Thursday night, attempted to end his earthly existence by taking a dose of laudanum, but having taken too much his stomach rebelled, and threw the obnoxious stuff upon the carpet. RYAN is now all right, and means to remain so.

Justice WALSH, yesterday, sentenced JOHN WILLIAMS to four months' imprisonment for attempting to pick the pockets of several ladies at the City Hall, on the day of the last Fenian parade.

NEW-JERSEY.

The insurance companies in which the policies on the life of WM. R. SAYRE, of Newark, were held, have decided to pay the amounts insured. Mr. SAYRE committed suicide while insane from disease. His life was insured in six different companies, for a total of $15,000. It was feared at the time of his death that the companies, as was previously customary, would refuse to pay the amount of the policies without litigation. Under the recent decision concerning the liabilities of companies in cases of suicide, two of the companies have already paid in the amounts due, and it is believed that the others will not make any difficulty in the matter.

During Thursday night an attempt was made to fire EARNEST'S hat-store, in Jersey City. Cigar-boxes, saturated with turpentine, were found in the shop and the fluid was scattered over the floor and shelves. The fire had just begun its work when discovered by WILLIAM FORSTERLING, who alarmed the inmates in such fortunate time that a few pails of water were sufficient to extinguish the flames. An investigation will be held.

A few weeks ago, a lady residing in Hoboken, named Mrs. PRECHTER, took compassion on a young vagrant named SPILL, took him into her house and treated him as if he were her own child. Latterly, she missed, almost daily, little articles and small sums of money, and suspecting her protégé, watched him and caught him in the act of stealing $12. He was committed yesterday to the county jail.

A gang of burglars, which has for some months invested Dover and vicinity, has been broken up by Chief of Police MCDEVITT, of Morristown. Two of the robbers were arrested in Jersey City, one in Paterson, one at Washington, and another will be in the act of robbing the freight depot, at Dover. CASTELLINE, who was arrested at Washington, has turned State's evidence.

A gravel car on the Midland Railroad fell over an embankment on Thursday, at Woodside, and inflicted injuries on a workman named BODRICKER, which will probably prove fatal. His leg was crushed and thigh bone fractured. He was removed to the German Hospital.

The funeral of the late Officer MCSWEENEY, of the Jersey City Police force, took place yesterday. The Police of the Third Precinct paraded in a body. The Chief and the Captain and a Sergeant from each of the other precincts were present.

Something of a stir was created in Newark, yesterday afternoon, by the marriage of Mr. JAMES R. GILMORE ("Edmund Kirk") to Mrs. AMELIA B. BURNET, widow of the late STEPHEN S. BURNET, formerly cashier of the First National Bank in that city.

The amount of deposits in the various savings banks of the State is $20,009,187 98, and the number of depositors about 60,000. The securities and investments amount to $20,773,083 42, while there is a cash surplus of $795,522 02.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—American Securities opened quiet and closed firm. The course of the market during the day is indicated by the following table:

	11½ A. M.	2 P. M.	4½ P. M.
Consols for money	91⅞	....	91⅞
Consols for account	91⅞	....	91⅞
U. S. 5-20s, 1865, old	91	91⅛	91⅛
U. S. 5-20s, 1865, new	90⅝	....	90⅝
U. S. 5-20s, 1867	89⅝	....	89⅝
U. S. 10-40s	87⅜	....	87⅜
Ill. Cen. Railroad Shares	109	....	109
Erie Railroad Shares	18¼	....	18¼
Atl. & Gt. W. R. R. Shares	29½	....	29½

FRANKFORT, Feb. 24.—United States Five-twenty Bonds are quoted at 95⅞ for the old issue.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 24—4.30 P. M.—COTTON—The market opened and closed quiet. Middling Uplands opened and closed at 7¾d.; and Middling Orleans at 7¾d. The sales of the day have been 12,000 bales, including 2,000 for export and speculation. Sales of Cotton shipped from Charleston and Savannah, and for delivery in March, April, or May were made at 7¾d. for Middling Uplands; and of Cotton from New-Orleans for delivery in May at 7¾d. for Middling Orleans. The sales of the week have been 84,000 bales, of which 17,000 were taken for export, and 5,000 on speculation. The stock in port is 764,000 bales, of which 400,000 are American. The receipts of the week have been 93,000 bales, of which 82,000 were American; actual export, 17,000 bales. The stock of Cotton at sea bound for this port is 444,000 bales, of which 290,000 are American. TRADE REPORT—The market for Yarns and Fabrics at Manchester is steady. BREADSTUFFS—Wheat—Red Western, No. 2 to No. 1, 10s. 6d. @10s. 11d. Corn, 35s. 6d. for New No. 2 Mixed. The receipts of Wheat at this port for the past three days have been 12,500 quarters, all of which are American. PROVISIONS—Pork was quoted at 2 P. M. at 96s. 6d., and closed flat. Bacon, 49s. for Cumberland Cut. 51s. 6d. for Short Rib Middles. The market closed declining. Lard, 60s. 6d. ₱ cwt. PRODUCE—Pine Resin, 10s. ₱ cwt.

LONDON, Feb. 24.—TALLOW, 44s. 6d. ₱ cwt., a decline of 9d. Whale Oil, £35 10s. ₱ ton. Common RESIN, 6s. 6d. ₱ cwt.

THE COTTON MOVEMENT.—LIVERPOOL, Feb. 24.—Arrived bark Sea, from New-Orleans Jan. 8, with 3,327 bales of Cotton.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 24.—FLOUR steady and in moderate demand; Spring Extras at $5 87½@6 80. Winter active and in demand at $5 81½, seller March; at $6 24½, seller April; in the afternoon market was irregular and active at $5 81½@6 22½, seller March. Corn advancing and in demand at 36c.@36¼c., seller March; at 37c., seller April; in the afternoon, steady and in moderate demand at 36c.@36¼c., for cash and seller March. OATS advancing and in fair demand at 31½c.@31¾c. RYE firm and in fair demand; No. 2 at 58½c. BARLEY dull and steady at 88c. HIGHWINES active and steady at 85c. for iron-bound. PROVISIONS firmer and higher. Mess PORK at $21 87½, cash; $21 50, seller March. LARD at 12¼c., March; 12¾c., April. Dressed HOGS in fair demand and higher, at $6 20. Live HOGS quiet at $6 70@$6 77. CATTLE dull at $4 12½@$5 60. RECEIPTS—Flour, 3,000 bbls.; Wheat, 23,000 bushels; Corn, 40,000 bushels; Oats, 15,000 bushels; Rye, 2,000 bushels; Barley, 2,000 bushels; Hogs, 2,000. SHIPMENTS—Flour, 3,000 bbls.; Corn, 5,000 bushels; Oats, 2,000 bushels; Hogs, 1,000.

PHILADELPHIA, Penn., Feb. 24.—COTTON dull; Middling Uplands, 15¼c.; Middling Orleans, 16c. CLOVER-SEED sells at $10 @$10 31. TIMOTHY-SEED, $6 50. FLAX-SEED, $2 10. FLOUR very dull; Superfine, $5 50@$5 62½; Extras, $6@$6 25; North-western Extra Family, $6 75@$7 75; Pennsylvania Extras, $6 50@$7; Indiana and Ohio Extra, $7 @$7 75; Fancy Brands, $8@$9 50. WHEAT dull; Red Western, $1 @$1 50; White Western, $1 75@$1 85. RYE scarce; held at $1 10. CORN dull; Yellow, 79c.; Mixed Western, 77c.@78c. OATS steady at 62c.@64c. COFFEE firm; Rio, 14½c.@15½c.; Laguayra, 15¾c., gold. SUGAR unchanged. MOLASSES unchanged. PETROLEUM quiet and unchanged. WHISKY steady and unchanged.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 24.—WHEAT quiet and unchanged. RYE nominally firm. CORN very quiet. BARLEY steady; sales 2 cars No. 2 Two-rowed State at 93c. OATS firmer; sales 1 carWestern at 70c., delivered. The supply of CATTLE has been up to the number of last week and the quality is somewhat better; sales show a decline of ¼c. ₱ lb. The range of prices, with one or two exceptions, for very choice, was from 7¼c. down to 6¾c. Of milch Cows the receipts are in excess of those of the last week; sales small at $50@$60 for common to fair. The supply of SHEEP is full and the sales show a falling off in price equal ¼c. ₱ lb.; New-York and Michigan, 5¼c.@7¼c.; Canada, 6c.@6c. Nothing doing in HOGS.

OSWEGO, N. Y., Feb. 24.—FLOUR steady and unchanged, with a light demand; sales at $7@$7 25 for No. 1 Spring; $7 50 for Amber Winter; $8 for White Winter; $8 75 for double Extra. WHEAT quiet; sales one car No. 1 Milwaukee Club at $1 50, and two cars do. at $1 52. CORN steady and firm; sales 2,000 bushels on the track. OATS held at 60c. for Western. BARLEY and RYE quiet. FREIGHTS dull; sales for Flour 15,000 bushels Canada at $1 05 in bond. CORN-MEAL, $1 85 for bolted, $1 75 for unbolted, ₱ cwt. MILLFEED steady; Shorts, $24@25. SHIP-STUFFS, $27@28. MIDDLINGS, $26@28. SEEDS—Timothy, $4¼c. Hallock, $4. FREIGHTS—Flour, to Boston, 78c.; to New-York, 68c.; to Albany, 58c.; Grain and Mill-feed to Boston, $7 80; to New-York, $6 50, and to Albany $5 40 ₱ ton.

LOUISVILLE, Feb. 24.—TOBACCO active; sales 246 hhds.